DONATIONS

OF

Peter Blundell,

[FOUNDER]

AND

OTHER BENEFACTORS

TO THE

FREE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

AT

TIVERTON.

EXETER:
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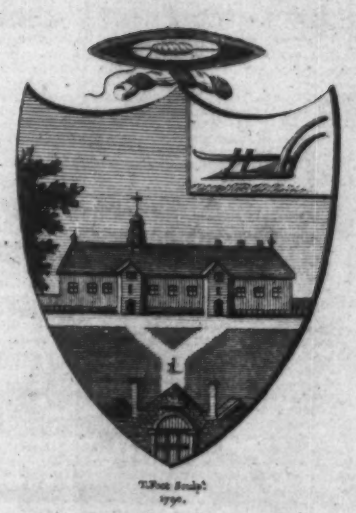
BRITISH MUSEUM

– shall build a fair School House will. p. 33
none under a Grammer Scholler p. 37



Husbandry profitable to the
Common welthey much neglected p. 40

1. Peter Blundell

2. Sir John Davie
3. Francis R. Drewe
4. Benjamin Incledon
5. James Bernard
6. Richard Blundell
7. Charles Chichester
8. Sir John Duntze
9. Sir Cha. W. Bampfylde
10. John Rolle
11. John B. Cholwich
12. John F. Luttrell
13. Sir John Trevelyan
14. Sir John W. de la Pole
15. Sir Thomas W. Carew
16. Thomas Winsloe
17. Sir John Chichester
18. Sir Thomas D. Acland
19. Sir Bourchier Wrey
20. John J. Fortescue
21. Robert N. Incledon
22. Sir Stafd. H. Northcote
23. Thomas R. Drewe

Feoffees

Of PETER BLUNDELL's Lands.

1792.

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THE

WILL

OF

PETER BLUNDELL.

Anno Domini 1599.

IN the Name of God Amen the nynth Day of June and in the Yeare of our Lord God 1599 *and in the fortie one Yeare of the Reigne of our Soveraigne Lady Elizabeth by the Grace of God Queene of England Fraunce and Ireland Defendour of the Faithe &c I Peter Blundell of Tiverton in the Countie of Devonſheire being wholl of Boddie and of good and perfecte Mynde and Memory Thanks be to Almightie God remembring and weyinge the Uncerteinty and Inſtabilitie of this mortal and tranſitory Lief and that every Man borne into this Worlde as he is ſubjecte unto Deathe ſo is he uncertaine of Time Place and Manner* A

wheare or by what Meanes the ſame ſhall happen unto him and myndeinge therefore to the Pleaſure of God and Quiett of Mynde to ſett ſuch Order and Staie for the Diſpoſition of ſuch Landes Tenements Poſſeſſions Goodes Chattells Wares Plate Jewells ready Money and Depts whatſoever as it hath pleaſed Almighty God of his Goodneſs to give unto me in this Worlde as the ſame may be quietly injoyed to thoſe to whom I ſhall deviſe the ſame do there-

B *fore make ordeyne and declare this my laſt Will and Teſtament in Manner and Forme followinge First and before all Things I commende and committ my Sowle to Almightie God my Creator truſting moſt aſſuredly to be ſaved by the only Deathe Paſſion and Meritts of Jeſus Chriſte beſeecking the moſt bleſſed holy and moſt glorious Trinitie the Father the Sonne and the Wholy Goſte three Parſons and one God to have Mercie upon me and to pardon and forgive mee all my Sinnes and that after this tranſitory Lief I may aryeſe with the Eleckte and be Partaker of Gods Glorie in the Kingdome of God and Liefe everlaſteinge And*

I will

I will that my Body be decently buried in the Parriſh Church of St Michael Pater Noſter in London yf I ſhall there happen to leave my Lief or elſe where it ſhall pleaſe God to provide for me at the good Diſcreation of my Executors and Overſeers hereafter named

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And alſo I will that all ſuch Debts as I ſhall owe to any Perſon or Perſons wheather it be by Deede or without Deede ſo that the ſame be juſtly proved at the Tyme of my Deceaſe ſhall by my ſaide Executors well and truly paied in Diſchardge of my Sowle and Conſcience

And that as toucheinge the Order and Diſpoſition of all and ſingular my Goods Chattles Wares Plate Jewells ready Money and Depts whereſoever it hath pleaſed Almightie God of his infinite Goodneſs and Mercie to endowe me *Item I give and bequeath unto one hundredth poor Men to every of them a Gowne of fortie Shillings a peece and to every of them twelve Pence in Money I ſaie twelve Pence apeece in Money of the which ſaide hundred Pooremen my Will Mynde and full Intente is that the thirteene poor Almesmen of the fore-*

ſaide Pariſh of St Michael Pater Noſter ſhall be of the ſaid Number *Item I give to Ann* D *Whitmore Widdowe of London dwelling in Lumbert Street a thouſand Poundes* *Item I give to William Whitmore her Sonne five hundred Powndes* *Item I give to George Whitmore five hundreth Powndes* *Item I give to Thomas Whitmore five hundreth Powndes*

Item I give to Elizabeth Craven one hundreth Powndes *Item I give to Ann Babar a hundred Powndes* *Item I give to Margarett Whitmore a hundred Powndes* *Item I give to Mary Whitmore a hundred Powndes*

Item I give to Frauncis Whitmore twoe hundred Powndes *Item I give to Jane Whitmore a hundred Powndes theis nyne Perſons that I have given the twoe and twenty hundred Powndes unto be the Children of the forenamed Anne Whitmore of London Widdowe dwelling in London in Lumbert Streete to whom I gave the Legacie unto before named of a thouſand Powndes unto in London* *Item I give Henry Polſteede of London a hundred Powndes* *Item I give William Okes fiftie Powndes*

I give

I give Robert five Pownds Theis three be Servants to Ann Whitmore of London Widdow in Lumbert Streete I give to the three Women Servants dwelling with the forenamed Anne Whitmore of London to every of them three Mayden Servants fortie Shillings ſome ſixe Pownds to them three I give Katherine Barnes fortie Shillings ſhe was Servant once with the forenamed Ann Whitmore of London I give to the Wife of George Slee of Tiverton whoſe Name is Jone Slee to her I give a thouſand Pownds I give to the Wife of Richard Spurweye alies Hill of Tiverton whoſe Name is Wilmote Spurweye alies Hill to her I give fower hundred Pownds I give Elizabeth Prows Wief unto Richard Prows of Tiverton ſixe hundred Pownds them three be Siſters and Daughters to John Chilcotte alies Comyn of Tiverton I give Robert Chilcotte E *alies Comyn the Sonne of John Chilcotte alies Comyn the ſaide Robert Chilcotte alies Comyn is my Servante to him I give twoe thouſand Pownds I give to Edith Weſte Wief of John Weſte the Younger of Tyverton to the ſaid*

Edith

Edith Weſte I give ſeaven hundred Powndes I ſay ſeaven hundred Powndes I give to the Sonne of John Weſte of Tyverton a hundred Powndes whoſe Name is Peter Weſte that the hundred Powndes is given unto I give Mary Peyne two hundred Powndes the ſaid Mary Peyne of Tyverton is Siſter to Eddey Weſte of Tiverton I give John Weſt of Tyverton the elder John Weſte to whom I give a hundred Powndes unto I give to the Governours of the Poſſeſſions of Chriſtes Hoſpital within Newgate in London five hundred Powndes to this Intent and Purpoſe that they doe beſtowe the foreſaid five hundred Powndes in Lande or Howſeinge to and for the Uſe of the Children and Mayntenance of that Hoſpital I give to the Governours of the Poſſeſſions of St Bartholomewes Hoſpital in London twoe hundred and fiftie Powndes to this Intent and Purpoſe that they beſtowe the foreſaid two hundred and fiftie Powndes in Lande or Howſeinge to and for the Uſe of the Pore in that Oſpital and Mayntenance of that Oſpitall I give to the Governowrs of the Poſſeſſion of St Thomas Oſ-

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pitall in Southwarke twoe hundred and fiftie Powndes to this Intent and Purpoſe that they doe beſtowe the ſaide two hundred and fiftie Powndes in Land or Howſeing to and for the Uſe of the Poore in that Oſpitall and Mayntenance of that Oſpitall and the Poore there I give to the Children of William Chilcotte alies Comyn that be not married one hundred Powndes equally to be divided amongst them I give fiftie Powndes towards the Reparation of the Bodye of the Church of Tyverton for Leade to cover the ſame where it hath need to be nowe donne I give fiftie Powndes to mend the Wayes from Tyverton to Selſerton where it hath moſt neede to be mended by the good Diſcreation of my Executors I give a hundred Powndes to the pooreſt People of Tyverton to be diſtributed by the Diſcreation of my Executors I give to William Cras of Tyverton five Powndes I give to Anthony Cras of Tyverton five Powndes he is the Sonne of William Cras before named I give to John Choram of Tyverton five Powndes he made Kerſies for me as William and Anthony Cras did make Ks for me alſo

I give

I give to Margaret Stodden Widdowe five Powndes Item I give to William Wood Carrier fiftie Powndes he is Sonne to Humfrey Wood late of Cullumpton Carrier and carried my Packes of Kerſies for me to London I give Robert Chilcott alies Comyn my Servante a thowſande Powndes I give to the Children of Thomas Wiborne deceaſed a a hundred Powndes equally to be divided amongst them he dwelled in a Village called Alcom in Somerſett theire betwixt Dunſter and Mynheide I forgive William Chapman of London Grocer one of the Wayters for cuſtome of Clothe under John Robinſon Searcher for the ſame I forgive him all ſuch Debt or Debtes and Money the ſaid William Chapman is indebted unto me I give to John Bateman of London Parſon of St. Michael Pater Noſter by or of Whittington Colledge tenne Powndes Item I give to Robert Rawlinſon of the ſame Pariſh in London tenn Powndes I give Richard Barrett of London Mercer two hundred Powndes I give to Marten Bonde of London Haberdaſher a hundred Powndes I give to William Bonde the

the elder Brother to Martin Bonde of London Haberdaſher a hundred Powndes I give to Robert Barnes of Lyme in Dorſettſheire twentie Powndes I give to Richard Perry of Exeter tenn Powndes I give to Richard Dorcheſter of Exeter fortie Powndes I give to Richard Prows of Exeter the elder and my ould Acquaintance to him I give fiftie Powndes I give to Nicholas Marten of Exeter the elder Twentie Powndes I give to William Marten the elder of Exeter tenne Powndes I give to John Levermore of Exeter twentie Powndes I give to Robert Bladwell of London Grocer fiftie Powndes I give to Walter Cade of London Haberdaſher of London twentie Powndes I give to John Auſtin of London Haberdaſher Fiftie Powndes I give to Humfry Colman of Tyverton one hundred Powndes I give to John Deman fiftie Powndes he is a Cunſtable of Tyverton I give to William Parker of London he is with William Craven of London twoe hundred Powndes I give to the Children of Nicholas Clarkſon to be equally devided amongst them twoe hundred Powndes the ſaide

Clarkeſon is dead and deceaſed and was of London a Draper by St Auſtins Church he dwelled in that Parriſh by Powles Churche I give to Mary Parker of London a hundred Powndes ſhee is the Daughter of one Thomas Parker of London deceaſed he was a Broker and was free of the Grocers of London I was a Witnes to the Baptiſeinge of the ſaid Mayden which dwelleth with a Draper in Chamwicke Streete in London nowe and I named her Name to be Mary at the Chriſtining of her I give to Lawrence Davye of Kyrton Clothier a hundred Powndes I give to John Dixſon of London fiftie Powndes he is a Scrivener dwellinge by Fleete-bridge in London I give to Richard Webber of Tyverton Tucker five Powndes he is my Tennante and one of my Tuckers I give to George Corniſh of Tyverton Tucker five Powndes I give to Annys Still of Tyverton Widdowe five Powndes Item I give to her Sonne Still a Miniſter in the Church of Tyverton five Powndes I give George Webber twenty Powndes he is Servant to Richard Spurwaye alies Hill of Tyverton I give to my Man

Man George Weſcott twentie Powndes. I give fiftie Powndes to the mending of badd Waies abowte the Towne of Tyverton by the good Diſcreation of my Executors and Overſeers I meane Highwaies that People come to the Markets of Tyverton or from it with Waynes Ploughs and Carriages of Horſes or otherwiſe I give Mary Foxe of London late Wief of Thomas Pope of London fiftie Powndes I ſaie fiftie Powndes I give Richard Barratt of London Mercer and Marchant eighte hundred Powndes

I give to the Wardens and Cominaltie of the Miſtery of Mercers of the Cittie of London one hundreth and fiftie Powndes upon Condition and to the Intent that they with Parcel thereof forthewith after my Deathe doe purchaſe Landes Howſes or other ſure Hereditaments or Rents out of or which fortie Shillings every Yeare ſhall be paied by the Wardens of the ſame Myſtery for the tyme beinge for ever to the poore People in Bedlem in London to be paid quarterly by even Portions and the Reſidue by the ſame Wardens and Comynaltie ſoe imployed and beſtowed as the Wardens of the ſame Myſtery for the Tyme G

beinge for ever ſhall have and take the Beneſitt thereof for theire Laboure and Paines in and aboute the eſtabliſhinge and yearly paieing of the ſaid fortie Shillings yearely for ever as aforeſaid and otherwiſe this my guifte as unto the ſame Wardens and Comynalty to be voyde and the ſame hundred and ſiftie Powndes then I give unto my Executors for the provideing appoyntinge and ſuer eſtabliſhinge of the ſame yearely Payment for ever as aforeſaid by ſuch good and ſufficient Wayes and Meanes as to them or the moſt parte of them or the Survivours of them ſhall be thoughte meete I give to the Wardens of the Comonalty of the Miſtery of Grocers of London one hundred and ſiftie Powndes uppon Condition and to the like Intent that they with Parcell thereof forthwith after my Deathe do purchaſe Landes Howſes or other ſuer Hereditaments or Rent out of or of which fortie Shillings every Year ſhall be alſoe paied by the Wardens of the ſame Miſtery for the Tyme beinge for ever to the poore People in Bedlem aforeſaid to be paide quarterly by even Portions and the Reſidue to be by them the ſame

Wardens

Wardens of the Comonalty of the Miſtery of Grocers ſoe imployed and beſtowed as the Wardens of the ſame Miſtery for the Tyme beinge forever ſhall have and take the Beneſitt thereof for theire Labour and Paynes in and aboute the eſtabliſhinge and yearely paieinge of the ſaid fortie Shillings yearly for ever as aforeſaide and otherwiſe this my Guifte as unto the ſame Wardens of the Comynaltie of Miſtery of the Grocers to be voyde and the ſame hundered and fiftie Powndes then I give to my Executors for provideing appoynteinge and ſuer eſtabliſhinge of the ſame yearly Payment of fortie Shillings for ever as aforeſaide by ſuch goode and ſufficient Wayes and Meanes as to them the moſt Parte of them or the Survivors of them ſhall be thought meete I give unto the Maſters and Wardens Brethren and Siſters of the Miſtery of Drapers of London one hundred and fiftie Powndes upon Condition and to the like Intent that they with Parcell thereof forthwith after my Deathe do purchaſe Landes Howſes or other ſuer Hereditaments or Rents out of or of whiche fortie Shillings every Yeare ſhall be paied by the

the Maſters and Wardens of the ſame Miſtery for the Tyme being for ever to the poor Priſoners in the Cownter in the Powltry in London to be paied quarterly by even Portions and the Reſidue to bee by the ſame Maſters Wardens Brethren and Siſters ſoe imployed and beſtowed as the Maſters and Wardens of the ſame Miſtery for the Tyme being from Time to Time for ever ſhall have and take the Benefit thereof for their Laboure and Paynes in and about the eſtabliſhinge and yearely paieing of the ſaid fortie Shillings yearly for ever as aforeſaid and otherwiſe this my Guifte as unto the ſame Maſters Wardens Brethren and Siſters to be voyde and the ſame hundred and fiftie Powndes then I give to my Executors for the provideing appoyntinge and ſuer eſtabliſhinge of the ſame yearly Payment of fortie Shillings for ever as aforeſaid by ſuch good and ſufficient Wayes and Meanes as to them or the moſt Part of them or the Survivours of them as ſhall be thought meete I give to the Wardens and Comonaltye of Fiſhmongers of the Cittie of London one hundred and fiftie Powndes upon Condition

dition and to the like Intent they with Parcell thereof after my Deathe doe purchaſe Landes Howſes or other ſuer Hereditaments or Rents out of or of whiche fortie Shillings every Yeare ſhall be likewiſe paied by the ſame Wardens for the Tyme being for ever to the poor Priſoners in the ſaid Compter in the Powltry in London to be paied quarterly by even Portions and the Reſidue to be by the ſame Wardens and Comonaltie ſoe imployed and beſtowed as the ſame Wardens for the Tyme beinge from Time to Time for ever ſhall have and take the Beneſitt thereof for their Laboure and Paynes in and abowte the iſtabliſheing and yearly paieing of the ſaid fortie Shillings yearly for ever as aforeſaide and otherwiſe this my Guifte as unto the ſame Wardens and Comonaltie to be voyde and the ſame hundred and ſiftie then I give to my Executors for the provideing appoyntinge and and ſuer iſtabliſhinge of the ſame yearly payment for ever as aforeſaid by ſuch good and ſufficient wayes and meanes as to them or the moſt parte of them or the Survivors of them ſhall be thought meete I give unto the

Wardens

Wardens and Comonaltie of the Miſtery of Goldſmiths within the Cittie of London one hundred and fiftie Pownds upon Condition and to the like Purpoſe and Intent that they with parcell thereof forthwith after my Deathe doe purchaſe Landes Howſes or other ſuer Hereditaments or Rents out of or of which fortie Shillings every Year ſhall bee paide by the Wardens of the ſaid Miſtery for the Tyme being for ever to the poore priſoners in the Cownter in Wood-ſtreet in London to be paide quarterly by even Portions and the Reſidue to bee by them ſame Wardens Miſtery and Comonaltie ſoe imployed and beſtowed as the Wardens of the ſame Miſtery for the Tyme being from Time to Time ſhall have and take the Beneſitt for their Labour and Paynes in and aboute the iſtabliſhing and yearly paieing of the ſaid fortie Shillings Yearly for ever as aforeſaid and otherwiſe this my Guiſte as unto the ſame Wardens and Comonaltie to be voyde and the ſame hundred and fiftie Pownds then I give to my Executors for the provideing appoyntyinge and ſuer eſtabliſhing of the ſame Yearly Payment for ever as aforeſaid

aforesaid by such good and sufficient Wayes & Meanes as to them or the most part of them or the Survivors of them shall be thowghte meete I give unto the Master Wardens and Comonaltie of the Mistery of Skinners of London one hundred and fiftie Powndes upon Condition and to the like Intent also that they with Parcell thereof forthwith after my Deathe doe purchase Landes Howses or other suer Hereditaments or Rents out of or of which fortie Shillings every Year shall be also paid by the Masters and Wardens of the same Mistery for the tyme beinge for ever to the poore Prisoners in the said Cownter in Woodstreete in London to be paid quarterly by even Portions and the Residue to be by the saide Master and Wardens and Comonaltie soe employed and bestowed as the Master and Wardens of the same Mistery for the tyme being for ever shall have and take the Benefitt thereof for their Laboure and Paynes in and abowte the istablishinge and yearly paieing of the said fortie Shillings yearly for ever as aforesaid and otherwise this my Guifte as to the same Masters and Wardens

and Comonaltie to be voyde and the ſame hundred and fiftie Powndes then I give to my Executors for the provideing appoyntment and ſuer iſtabliſhing of the ſame Yearly Payment for ever as aforeſaid by ſuch good and ſufficient Wayes and Meanes as to them or the moſt Part of them or the Survivors of them ſholl be thowte meete I give unto the Maſter and Wardens of the Fraternitie of St John Baptiſte comonly called Marchant Taylors within the Cittie of London one hundred and fiftie Powndes upon Condition and to the like Purpoſe and Intentie that they with Parcell thereof forthwith after my Deathe doe purchaſe Landes Howſes and other ſuer Hereditaments or Rents out of or of which fortie Shillings every Year ſhall be paide by the Maſters and Wardens of the ſame Fraternity for the tyme beinge forever to the poor Priſoners in Newgate in London to be paid Quarterly by even Portions and the Reſidue to be by the ſame Maſter and Wardens of the ſame Fraternity ſo ymployed and beſtowed as the Maſters and Wardens of the ſame Miſtery

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for the tyme beinge from tyme to tyme for ever ſhall have and take the Benefitt thereof for theire Laboure and Paynes in and abowte the eſtabliſhinge and Yearely payeing of the ſame ſaide fortie Shillings yearly for ever as aforeſaide and otherwiſe this my Guifte as unto the ſame Maſter and Wardens of the Fraternitie aforeſaide to be voyde and the ſame hundred and fiftie Powndes then I give to my Executors for the provideinge appoynteing and ſuer eſtabliſheinge of the ſame Yearely Payment for ever as aforeſaide by ſuch good and ſufficient Waies and Meanes as to them or the moſt parte of them or the Survivors of them ſhall be thought meete Item *I give unto the Maſter and Wardens of the Fraternitie of the miſtery of Haberdaſhers of the Cittie of London one hundred and fiftie Powndes uppon Condition and to the like Intent that they with Parcell thereof forthwith after my Deathe doe purchaſe Landes Howſes or other ſuer Hereditaments or Rents out of or of which fortie Shillings every Year ſhall be paide by the Maſters and Wardens of the ſame Miſtery for the Tyme being for ever*

to the poore Priſoners in Newgate aforeſaid to be paied quarterly by even Portions and the Reſidue to be by the ſame Maſter and Wardens ſoe ymployed and beſtowed as the ſame Maſter and Wardens of the ſame Miſtery for the time being from time to time for ever ſhall have and take the Beneſitt thereof for their Labours and Paynes in and abowte the eſtabliſhing and yearly payments or payinge of the ſaide fortie Shillings yearly for ever as aforeſaid and otherwiſe this my Gifte as unto the ſaid Maſters and Wardens to be voyde and the ſame hundred and fiftie Powndes then I give to my Executors for the provideing appointing and ſure eſtabliſhing of the ſame yearly Payment for ever as aforeſaid by ſuch good and ſufficient Ways and Meanes as to them or to the moſt part of them or Survivors of them ſhall be thought meete Item I give unto the Wardens and Cominalty of the Miſtery of Salters in the Cittie of London One Hundred and fiftie Powndes upon Condition and to the like Purpoſe and Intente that they with parcel thereof forthwith after my Deathe doe purchaſe

chaſe Landes Howſes or other ſuer Hereditaments or Rents out of or of which fortie Shillings every Year ſhall be paied by the Wardens of the ſame Miſtery for the Tyme being for ever to the poor Priſoners in Ludgate in London to be paied quarterly by even Portions and the reſt to be by the ſame Wardens and Cominalty ſoe ymployed and beſtowed as the Wardens of the ſame Miſtery for the tyme being from tyme to tyme for ever ſhall have and take the Beneſit thereof for their Labour and Paynes in and about the eſtabliſheing and yearly paieing of the ſaid fortie Shillings yearly for ever as aforeſaid and otherwiſe this my Guifte as unto the ſame Wardens and Cominalty to be voyd and the ſame hundred and fiftie Powndes then I give to my Executors for the providing appointing and ſure eſtabliſhing of the ſaid yearly Payment for ever as aforeſaid by ſuch good and ſufficient Wayes and Meanes as to them ſhall be thought meet Item I give unto the Maſter and Wardens and Cominalty of Miſtery of Iremongers of London One hundred and fiftie Powndes upon Condition and to

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the like Intent that they with parcell thereof forthwith after my deathe doe purchaſe Landes Howſes or other ſuer Hereditaments or Rents out of or of which fortie Shillings every Year ſhall be paid by the Maſters and Wardens of the ſame Miſtery for the Tyme being for ever to the poor Priſoners in Ludgate aforeſaid to be paide quarterly by even Portions and the Reſidue to be by the ſame Maſter Wardens and Cominalty ſoe ymployed and beſtowed as the Maſter and Wardens of the Miſtery for the Tyme being from tyme to tyme for ever ſhall have and take the Benefit thereof for there labour and paynes in and about the eſtabliſhing and yearly paying of the ſaid fortie Shillings yearly for ever as aforeſaid and otherwiſe this my Guifte as unto the ſame Maſter Wardens and Cominalty to be voyde and the ſame hundred and fiftie Powndes then I give to my Executors for the providing appointing and ſuer eſtabliſhing of the ſame yearly payment for ever as aforeſaid by ſuch good and ſufficient Wayes and Meanes as to them or the moſt part of them or the Survivors of them ſhall be thought

thought meete Item I give unto the Maſter Wardens and Cominaltie of the Miſterie of Vinteners of the Cittie of London one hundred and fiftie Powndes upon Condition and to the like Intent that they with parcel thereof forthwith after my Death doe purchaſe Landes Howſes or other ſuer Hereditaments or Rents out of or of which fortie Shillings every Year ſhall be paid by the Maiſter and Wardens of the ſame Miſtery for the tyme beinge for ever to the Poor in Bridewell in London to be paide quarterly by even portions and the Reſidue to be by the ſaid Maiſter and Wardens and Cominaltie ſoe imployed and beſtowed as the Maſter and Wardens of the ſame Miſtery for the tyme being from tyme to tyme for ever ſhall have and take the Benefit thereof for their Labour and Paynes in and about the eſtabliſhing and Yearly paying of the ſaid fortie Shillings yearly forever as aforeſaid and otherwiſe this my Guifte as unto the ſame Maiſter Wardens and Cominaltye to be voyde and the hundred and fiftie Powndes then I give to my Executors for the providing appointing and ſure eſtabliſhing

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of the ſame yearly Payment for ever as aforeſaid by ſuch good and ſufficient Waies and Meanes as to them or the moſt part of them or the Survivors of them ſhall be thought meete *Item I give unto the Wardens and Cominalty of the Freemen of the Miſtery of Clothworkers of the Cittie of London one hundreth and fifty Powndes upon Condition and to the like purpoſe and Intente that they with parcel thereof forthwith after my Deathe do purchaſe Landes Howſes and other ſuer Hereditaments or Rents out of or of which fortie Shillings every Year ſhall be paid by the ſame Wardens of the ſame Miſtery for the tyme beinge for ever to the poore people in Bridewell aforeſaid to be paid Quarterly by even portions and the Reſidue to be by the ſame Wardens and Cominalty ſoe employed and beſtowed as the Wardens of the ſame Miſtery for the tyme beinge from tyme to tyme for ever ſhall have and take the Beneſitte thereof for their Laboure and paines in and about the eſtabliſhing and yearly paieing of the ſayd fortie Shillings yearly for ever as aforeſaid and otherwiſe this my Guiſte as unto the ſame Wardens and Cominaltie*

naltie to be voyde and the ſame hundred and fiftie Powndes then I give to my Executors for the providing appointing and ſuer eſtabliſhing of the ſame Yearly Payment forever as aforeſaid by ſuch good and ſufficient Waies and Meanes as to them or to the moſt part of them or the Survivors of them ſhall be thoute meete

And my Will and harty Deſier is that my good Intente and Purpoſe in this my laſt Will and Teſtament expreſſed ſhall be executed eſtabliſhed ſettled and made ſuer according to my Meaning therein expreſſed as near the ſame as may be by the Adviſe of my Executors and Overſeers named in this my laſt Will and Teſtament & of the Survivors of them wherein I doe alſo moſt humbly deſier and praie the Directions of my deare Frende Sir John Popham, Kt. Lord Chief Juſtice of England whome it hath already pleaſed to promiſe me his lawful help and furtherance for the better Execution of this my laſt Will Item I give unto the ſame Lord Chief Juſtice in token of my dutifull Love and good Will to his Lordſhip one hundred Powndes Item I give to James

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Clark Eſquier whom is one of my Overſeers fiftie Pownds Item I give fower hundred Pownds to the Marriage of twenty poore Mdydes in Tiverton in the Towne of Tyverton borne there and to them that their Fathers have dwelled tenne Years in Tyverton Towne to the Diſcreation of my Executors equally to be divided amongſt them Item I give to the Maior Bailiffs and Cominalty of the Cittie of Exon the Some of nyne hundredth pownds of lawfull Money of England to be delivered by my Executors preſently after my Deathe to be and continue to the ſame Maior Bailiffe and Comonaltie and to their Succeſſors for ever to their ſeverall Uſes Purpoſes and Ymployments followinge that is to ſaie five hundred Pownds thereof the ſaid Maior Bailiffs and Cominality of the ſayde Cittie and their Succeſſors for ever for the moſt parte of them ſhall for ever on the Wenſdaie nexte after the Feaſte of St. Michael the Archangell put forth the ſaide five hundredth Pownds until the Wenſday nexte before the fowerth feaſt of St. Michael the Archangell then alwaies nexte following that

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is to ſaie for fower Yeares lackeing Six daies to twenty five ſuch poore Artifiſers and People of handycrafts of honeſt Name and Reputation willing to take the ſame being continually Dwellers and Houſeholders within the ſaid Cittie and Suburbs thereof as to the ſame Maior Bailiffs and Cominality for the tyme being or to the moſt parte of them ſhall be thoughte meete that is to ſaie to eache of the ſame twenty five Perſons twentie Pounds to eache of them takeing from Tyme to Tyme good and ſufficient Aſſurance ſuch as the ſayd Maior Bailiffs and Cominality will anſweare for trewe Repayment to them and to their Succeſſors from tyme to tyme both of the principal and alſo for and after the Rate of tenne Pounds by the Yeare for the ſame five hundred Powndes to be alwaies paied on the ſaid Wenſdaie next before the ſaid fowerth Feaſte of St. Michael th' Archangell nexte after the putting forthe thereof as aforeſaide betweene the Howres of one and fower of the Clocke in the Afternoon of the ſame Wenſdaie as aforeſaide and if any Decaie ſhall happen by Deathe or otherwaies of the ſame Aſſurance within any

the ſaid fower Yeares then for Supplie to bee made whiche ſhall from tyme to tyme be made accordingly of and with other good Aſſurance alwaies and from tyme to tyme for ever as to the ſaid Maior Bailiffe & Cominalty for the tyme being or to the moſt parte of them for ever ſhall be thoughte meete and touchinge the ſaide four hundred Pounds Reſidue of the ſaid Stocke of nyne hundred Pounds the ſaid Major Bailiffs & Cominalty for the tyme being or the moſt parte of them as aforeſaide ſhall alſo on the Wenſdaie nexte after the ſaid Feaſt of St. Michael th' Archangell alwaies for ever put forth the ſame fower hundred Powndes alſoe forever untill the ſaid Wenſdaie nexte before the fowerth Feaſt of St. Michael that is to ſaie for fower Years lacking ſix daies as aforeſaid to twenty Artifficers Weavers Tuckers and Tuckers of the ſaid Towne of Tyverton and in Default of ſuch to others there of other honeſt Trades and Miſteries of honeſt Name and Reporte and Reputation willing to take the ſame beinge alſo Dwellers and Houſeholders in the ſaide Towne of Tyverton that is to wit to

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eache of them twentie Powndes to each of them takeing ſuch good and ſufficient Aſſurance as well for Repayment of the Pryncipal and for and after the Rate of eighte Powndes by the Yeare forever for the ſaid fower hundredth powndes and to be paied at ſuch Daie and Tyme and Place and for ſuch Supplie of newe and other Aſſurance as is before lymitted and appointed of and for the ſaide Aſſurance Stocke of five hundred powndes and my Meaning & Deſier is that the ſaid fower hundredth powndes Stock bee alwaies delivered and putt forth to ſuch of Tyverton aforeſaide as by tenne I ſaie tenne ſuch Inhabitants of the ſaid Towne of Tyverton for the tyme being as ſhall be taxed moſt to Subcide to her Majeſtie her Heirs & Succeſſours ſhall be nominated to the ſaid Maior Bailiffs & Cominalty twelve weeks I twelve weeks with the leaſt alwaies before the ſaide Daie lymitted for puttinge forthe the ſaide Stocke as aforeſaide and upon the ſaide Nominators good and ſufficient Suerties ſhall alſoe be nominated and uppon every putting forthe bee bounde with the prencypal unto the ſaid

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Major Bailiffs and Comonalty for ſuch Repayment as aforeſaide or otherwiſe the ſaide Nomination not to bee admytted and then the ſame putting forthe to be to ſuch twentie Perſons of the ſaide Towne of Tyverton as to the ſaid Maior Bailiffe & Comonalty as ſhall be thoughte meete they takeinge ſuch good Aſſurances to all Intente as they will anſwer for as aforeſaide

And touchinge the Overplus of eighteene Powndes by the Yeare to be yerely received for ever of Intereſt of the ſaide ſeverall Stocke as aforeſaide my Will and Intent of that ſame alſoe is that ſoe long as there ſhall be no Decaie of the ſaide Stocke or of either of them the ſame Increaſe ſhall goe to the Uſes and Ymployments followeinge that is to ſaie Fortie Shillings thereof yerely forever to the Townclerke of the Cittie of Exon aforeſaide for the tyme beinge for keeping and writing of a faier and perfecte Booke and Bookes for ever conteyninge the Diſburſments and Receipt of the ſaid Stockes and the ſaid Denominations of principals and Suerties Aſſurances and other neceſſary Circumſtances of and conteyninge the premiſes

premiſes for that my Will and Meaninge is that nothinge ſhall be taken off any party or partyes receiving any Part of the ſaid Stocke for the makeinge or writing of any his or their Aſſurance or Aſſurances and the other ſixteen powndes Reſidue to the ſaide Maior Bailiffs and Comonalty for and towards theire Peines Diſcretions Foreſight and Travell in and abowte the goode diſpoſeing & preſerving of the ſaide Stockes according to this my true Intente & Meaning for and towards theire Supper alwaies on the ſaid Wenſdaie limitted for Receipt of the ſaid Money to bee taken where they ſhall thinke meete and towards one Dinner to them yerely for ever on St Peters Day in Remembrance of me and towards ſuch other ſuch good Uſes as to them ſhall be thought meete

But yf and when any Decaie ſhall bee of the ſaide Stocke or Stockes then to goe and bee to the Supplie of every ſuch Decaie untill the ſame Stocke and Stockes ſhall be reſtored and made upp againe and this Courſe to be obſerved from tyme to tyme forever and if the ſaid Maior Bailiffs and Comonalty after my Death ſhall not

not accepte the Chardge of the ſaid Stockes and Premiſes as aforeſaide or ſhall not deliver ſuch Aſſurance for the Performance thereof as the ſaide Lord Chief Juſtice and in his Defaulte as my Executors and Overſeers named in this my Will or the moſt part of them ſhall limitt adviſe and appoint according to this my laſt Will & Teſtament or as neare the trewe Meaninge thereof as conveniently may bee then my Will is that my ſaide Executors and the Survivors of them ſhall yerely execute and ſupply my Meaninge herein expreſſed touchinge the ſaid Stockes by ſuch other good Waies and Meanes as to them & my ſaide Overſeers or the moſt part of them with the Advice of the ſaid Lord Chief Juſtice if he ſhall be then livinge and ſhall be thoughte fitt and then the ſaid Maior Bailiffs & Comonalty to have none other Beneſitt than to them or the moſt part of them I meane my Executors and Overſeers as ſhall ſeeme goode and if any Taker of any parte of the ſaid Stockes ſhall make Defaulte of the Payment thereof contrary to the true Meaning of any ſuch Aſſurance aforeſaide then beſide the Danger

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thereby incurred my Will and Meaninge is that neither he any of his ſhall at any tyme after have or take any Benefitt of or by the ſaid Stocke or Stockes And my Will & Meaninge is that noe Baker Brewer Butcher Tayler or Innkeeper Vintner Taverner Hoſteller or Tanner or Seller of Beare or any other Victuals or ſuch as ſell divers kindes or Sortes of Wares which ſome call them Mercers and ſome call them Marchaunts whatſoever ſhall be any Taker of any Part of the Stocke or Stockes

Item I will that my Executors or the Survivors of them by the Adviſe and Directions of my Overſeers and of the Survivors of them with all convenient Speede upon a fytt and convenient Platt and piece of Grounde in Tyverton aforeſaide by my Executors for that Purpoſe to be purchaſed and procured ſhall erecte and buyld a faier School houſe to conteyne for the Place for teaching only in length one hundred foote and in breadth fower and twenty foot a Hawle Buttery and Kitchin all of convenient Space and Biggneſs to be joined unto it with fit and convenient Roomes over the ſame Hawle K

Buttery and Kitchin all the Windows well and ſtrongly glaſſed and barred with Iron Barrs and well covered the Floor of the School to be well plancked with Plancks of Oke ſupported and borne from the Ground with ſtrong Ledges or Beames with ſoe many fitt and ſtrong Settles and Formes as ſhall be convenient having regard to the Bigneſs of the ſame Schoole and Number of Schollars to be taughte therein and to be devided on or neere the middeſt with ſome fit Partition of fower foot in height or thereabouts yf it ſhal bee ſoe thoughte fitt and this Schoole to be ſtrongly wainſcotted rownde abowte and the ſame Wainſcotte to extend abowte five or ſix foote above the Settles or Formes and with ſuch Settles Formes and Seates and in ſuch Manner to be framed placed and deviſed as ſhall be thought moſt convenient the Haulle to be alſoe plancked or paved and alſo wainſcotted round abowte as high as the Lofte and to have in the Hall and Chamber over the ſame one or other Chimney and in the Kitchen one faier great Chimney with an Oven and a Chamber over the Kitchen with a Chimney therein as to my ſaid Executors and Overſeers

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or the Survivors of them ſhall be thought meete and that there ſhall be adjoining to this Schoolhouſe a convenient Garden and Woodyard with a fit Houſe and Eaſements therein of and for the Eaſe of the Schollars uppon or as near the River of Ex there or Loman as may be and the ſaid Schoolhouſe Garden Woodyard and Houſe of Eaſe to be rounde aboute well walled and incloſed with a ſtrong Wall the goinge in and forthe to be at one only place with a fair ſtrong Gate with a little Dore as is uſual in the Schooles and for that my Deſier is that theis Things ſhall be very well ſtrongly artificially and ſubſtantially done my will is that my Executors ſhall beſtowe therein twentie fower hundred Poundes within the leaſt if the Premiſes requier and my Will and Meaning is that in and aboute theis ſeverall Buildings Plott Frame and all the Partes thereof the Adviſe and Directions of my ſaide righte deare and honorable Friende Sir John Popham Knighte Lord Chief Juſtice of England ſhall be taken and followed and to him I give Power and Authority to alter and chaunge what parte or partes thereof for the

Manner of building largeneſs and conveying the Premiſes he ſhall think good and his Directions in every Thinge for the effectinge of my ſaid Purpoſe herein and in all other Things hereafter in my will mentioned towchinge the ſame or other Circumſtances thereof hereafter mentioned to be ſtill followed and executed Item my Will and Meaning is that in the ſaid Schooles ſhall not be taughte above the Number of One hundred and fiftie Scholers at any one Tyme and thoſe from Tyme to Tyme of Children born or for the moſt parte before their Age of Sixe Yeares broughte upp in the Towne or Parriſh of Tyverton aforeſaid And if the ſame Number be not filled upp my Will is that the wante ſhall be ſupplyed with the Children of Forreyners and thoſe Forreyners only to be received and admytted from tyme to tyme for ever with the Aſſent and Allowance of ſuch tenne Houſeholders of the ſaid Towne of Tyverton aforeſaide as for the tyme beinge ſhall be moſt in the Subſidie Bookes of our Sovereigne Lady the Queenes Majeſty and of her Succeſſors for ever and not otherwiſe And my Meaning and Deſier is that they

they from tyme to tyme will make choice of the Children of ſuch Forreyners as are of honeſt Reputation and feare God without regarding the riche above or more than the poore and that there ſhall bee noe Scholer bee or continue in the ſaid Schoolle as a Scholer but Boyes and none above the Age of Eighteen Yeares or under the Age of Sixe Yeares and none under a Grammer Scholler and my Will and Meaning is that the ſaid School Maſter who ſhall for hys tyme beinge have the Uſe of the Roomes and Buildings aforeſaide and alſoe one Uſher who ſhall have in the ſaide Buildinge one Chamber to himſelf only and the Schoolmaſter for the Tyme being ſhall have yearely for ever fiftie Powndes to be paide quarterly and the Uſher twentie Markes to be paied in the like Manner quarterly And my Hope and Deſier and Will is that they hould themſelves ſatisfied and contente with that Recompenſe for their Travell without ſeeking or exacting any more either of Parent or Children which procureth Favour to Givers and the contrarie to ſuch as do not or cannot give for my Meaning is yt ſhall be forever a Free Scholl and

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not a Schole of Exaction And for the better makeing eſtabliſhing Meyntenance and Continuance of the ſaide free Grammar Schole & ſcholeing for ever I doe by this my laſt Will and Teſtament give appoynte and deviſe all my Landes Tenements and Hereditaments in the Countie of Devon unto Sir Frauncis Popham Knight Anthony Pollerd Eſquier Richard Blewett Eſquier Charles Beere Eſquier Roger Ayſhford Eſquier Roger Warre Eſquier Roger Gifford Eſquier James Clarke Eſquier Henry Worth Eſquier John Weſt the Elder Humphrey Colman John Waldron Edward Amy Nicholas Skinner George Slee Richard Hill als Sporwaie Richard Prows my Couſin John Weſt the Younger Peter Weſt Robert Chilcot als Comyn John Demond John Blundell Peter Blundell William Tanner Roger Slee William Cras Anthony Craſſe and to their Heires and Aſſignes forever who I hope will accept the ſame as Feoffees whom I have ſpecially choſen to bear Truſt and Confidence in the premiſes out of which the fiftie Powndes and the ſaid thirteen Powndes ſixe Shillings and eightpence ſhall be quarterly paied as aforeſaid

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And fortie Shillings yearly for ever to a perfecte Clarke for the Tyme being to be appoynted by the ſaid Feoffees or the moſt parte of them from tyme to tyme for keeping a true and perfecte Booke of Survey and of granting and demiſing the ſaide Landes and of the Monie received and paied of and for the ſame and of other their Proceeding in and aboute the Premiſes taking alwaies warrant of all his doeings from the ſaide Feofees or the moſt part of them with their Handes alwaies to bee ſubſcribed as well in that behalf as for and concerninge the other Thinge to them comitted by this my laſt Will and Teſtament And other eight Powndes yearely to goie alwaies to the Repairations of the ſaide Schoole and other Things neceſſary concerning the ſame for ever and what elſe ſhall be needfull or requiſite in or abowte the ſaid Schole or other Circumſtances thereof I leave to the Direction of the ſaide Lord Chief Juſtice which my Executors ſhall perform and accompliſh And ſoe as much as the true Laboure and Exerciſe of Huſbandry is a thinge very profitable in the Common Welthey

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Welthey and acceptable and pleaſinge to Almightie God and yet at this preſent in moſt places much neglected and decaied my Will and Deſier is that twentie Powndes yearely ſhall bee ymploied and diſburſed by the ſaid Feoffees yearely for ever as followeth that is to ſaie the Sum of five Powndes yearly for ever of ſuch fower poore Boys born and for the moſt part brought up in the ſaid Towne or Parriſh of Tyverton of the Age of fifteen Years or under as to the ſaide tenne Inhabitants for the Tyme being for ever ſhall be thoughte meeteſt whoſe Parents ſhall be dwellinge in the ſaide Towne or Parriſhe to bee bounde to ſerve in Huſbandry for ſeaven Yeares or upwards the ſaide five Powndes to be delivered to the Maſter he ſhal ſoe ſerve with Aſſurance to be taken by the ſaid Clarke for Repayment as followeth that is to ſaie to the Servante yf the ſame ſeaven Yeares Service or more bee by him duely and truely done with the ſaide Maſter or his Aſſignes. And yf the ſame Service bee not donne accordingly in the Servants default in every ſuch Caſe the ſame five Powndes to be repaid and

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be beſtowed towards the Relief of poor Houſe-holders in Tyverton Towne aforeſaid at the Diſcreation of the ſaid tenne Inhabitants or of the moſt part of them and yf the ſame Service bee in parte done accordingly and then the ſaid Servaunte happen to die in the ſaid Service within the tyme agreed of then to goe to the Executors and Aſſignes of the ſame Servaunte with that I doubte not but the Maſter. of the ſaide Servaunte will dureing the Tyme he hath the ſaide Monie ymploye the ſame to ſome good and godly Uſes for the ſaid Servaunts Benefitt as my Meaning is And if in the ſaide Pariſh of Tyverton there ſhall not yearely goe forth in the Service of Huſbandry ſoe many as aforeſaide then the want to bee from tyme to tyme of Forreyners of and in other Places adjoyning as to the ſaid Feofees or to the moſt parte of them ſhall be thowghte meete the ſame Order and Courſe to be obſerved of the ſame Forreyners as is before limitted of the others And my Will and Meaninge is M *that the ſaid Feoffees for the tyme beinge or the moſt part of them ſhall from tyme to tyme make*

abolish and set down such Orders Laws and Directions both touching the Schole and Matters of Husbandry and all Matters and Circumstances thereof and touching all parties to be interested therein or to have any Thing to doe abowte the same as to them or the most parte of them for the Tyme being shall be thoughte meete for the Governance Mayntenance and Continuance thereof according to my true Intent and Meaning and that the Scholemaster and Usher for the tyme being shall bee elected nominated appointed displaced and removed by the saide Feoffees for the Tyme being for ever or the Most parte of them having alwaies the Approbation and Alloweance of the Ordinarie of the Diocese of Devon forever for the tyme beinge to the said Election Nominating and Appointinge onely And my Will Meaning and Desier is that the said Feoffees by mee nominated and appointed as aforesaide and thear and all other Feoffees of the said Landes forever hereafter when and as often as by Deathe or otherwise they shall come to the Number of thirteen with the least the saide same with the Heires of

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the others deceaſed Feoffees yf they be not unfitt and for ſuch as ſhall be unfitt then others nere inhabitinge of honeſt Reporte and Reputation by alteration of their Poſſeſſion ſhall make up with themſelves the Number of five and twentie Feoffees again with the leaſt ſoe as the Continuance of the ſaid Schole and Matter of Huſbandry and other good Purpoſes aforeſaid
And my true Meaning herein expreſſed reſteth in the Truſt Providence Circumſpection and Care of the ſaide Feoffees for the Tyme being which I hope they will accompliſhe and perform accordingly as they will anſwer the ſame before the Majeſtie of Almightie God at the dreadfull Daie of Judgment the Secrets of all Hearts ſhall be diſcloſed And for that my Landes in Devon are not yet of ſufficient Vallewe by the Yeare to ſupplie my ſaid Will Entente and Meaning concerning the ſaid Scholeing and Matter of Huſbandry my Will therefore is that my Executors after my Death ſhall with the Adviſe aforeſaide purchaſe Landes or Rentes to a full Supplie thereof and what Overplus hereafter ſhall happen to bee the ſame ſhall be

imployed to the Performance of the reſt of my Will or to ſuch other Imployments as I ſhall

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And as they ſhall be ſoe or in the like Manner ſeverally preferred or promoted or as they in the mean Tyme ſhall fortune to dye my Will is that there ſeveral places ſhall forever be ſupplied with Scholers to bee elected and choſen by the ſaide Feoffees or the moſt parte of them with th adviſe of the Scholemaſter there for the Tyme being out of the ſaide Grammer Schoole of Tyverton and not elſewhere and that of the apteſt and moſt forwarde in Learninge and ſuch as of themſelves or parents or otherwiſe leſt able to mainteyne themſelves in the ſaide Miniſtrie and for the foundeinge eſtabliſhinge and perfectinge of the ſaid ſixe Schollers for ever and of the ſaide Landes for theire Maintenance and of the Elections and Orders aforeſaide and for all other Things fitt to be donne in and abowte the ſame I wholly referre to the Direction and finiſhyeing of the ſaide Lord Cheefe Juſtice moſt humbly prayeing his good Lordſhipp to bee pleaſed to take the ſame uppon him and to finiſhe the ſame with all convenient Speede and in his Defaulte to my ſaide Execu-

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tors uppon very good Adviſe as aforeſaide and for the firſt Sixe to be placed in the ſaide Univerſity or Univerſities I leave to the Nomination and appoyntment of the ſaid Lord Cheefe Juſtice and of my ſaid Executors not doubting but as they ſhall be afterwards promoted or removed as aforeſaide or otherwiſe ſhall fortune in the mean Tyme to dye others fitt to be there placed as aforeſaid will ariſe and ſpring upp into the ſaide Gramer Schoole of Tyverton

I give unto John Blundell of Tyverton two thowſande Powndes I give to his Son Peter Blundell of Tyverton twoe thowſande Powndes

I give unto Geurge Slee of Tyverton one thowſand Powndes I ſaie one thowſand Pounds

I give unto Robert Chilcott als Comyn a thowſande Powndes I ſaie one thowſande Powndes I give unto Roger Slee five hundred Powndes the twoe be of Tiverton bothe as George Slye is of Tyverton I give Edde Weſte late of Tyverton three hundred Powndes I ſaie three hundred Powndes I give Mr. William Craven of London twoe hundred powndes yt is William Craven the elder I

give

give to the three youngeſt Children of George Slye of Tyverton ſixe hundred Powndes to be equally devided amongeſt them which is twoe hundred Powndes to each of them or either of them I give to the Children of Ric Sporwey als Hill of Tyverton eighte hundred Powndes

I give unto my Coſen Ric Prows of Tyverton one hundred Powndes O *I give to the Children of the ſame Ric Prowſe of Tyverton three hundred Powndes to be equally devided amongſt them I give unto John Weſt the Younger late of Tyverton a hundred Powndes*

I give unto the Children of the ſame John Weſt three hundred Powndes I give unto John Chilcott als Comyn of Tyverton three hundred Powndes I give unto his Son Robert Chilcott als Comyn three hundred Powndes upon Condition that he pay unto his Father John Chilcott als Comyn of Tyverton twentie Powndes every Year for the Tyme or Space of fifteen Yeeres yf the ſaide John Chilcott als Comyn of Tyverton ſhall ſoe long live or doe ſoe long live otherwiſe this my Legacie of three hundred Powndes I give unto the ſaide John

Chilcott

Chilcott als Comyn of Tyverton Father unto Robert Chilcott als Comyn aforesaide I give and forgive Mr. Gabriel Newman all such Monie and Debt or Debtes that he oweth me or that he is indebted unto me he is of London and of late did occupie in or of the Mistery of Gouldsmiths and he is free of the Joyners in London

I give to the Wardens and Cominalty of the Mistery of Mercers of the Cittie of London two hundred Pownds I give unto Thomas Spicer the Elder Marchant of Exon twentie Powndes

I Peter Blundell doe will and appoint that my Executors shall paie and laie out and bestowe of my Goodes fower hundred Powndes towards a decent Funeral at my Burial for black Gownes and Clokes and or otherwise to their Discreations besides the two hundred and five Powndes whiche I have given for one hundred poore Men for Gownes to every of them at fortie Shillings of every Gowne and twelve pence a peece in Monie for them whiche is five powndes as in the first Sheete or leafe of paper in this my Will appeareth I give unto Mr. William Craven the elder of London a hundred Powndes

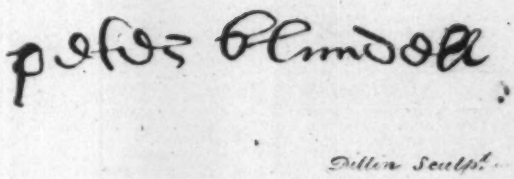
I give

I give unto William Parker of London a hundred Powndes he is partner with Mr. Craven and dwelleth with Mr William Craven
I give unto Mr John Weſt late of Tyverton a hundred Powndes he married with a Kinſwoman of myne whoſe Name was Eddy Blundell
I give unto my Coſen George Slee of Tyverton a hundred Powndes I give unto Mr James Clarke Eſquier of Norten in in the Countie of Somerſett Twentie Powndes I give unto Ric Spurwaie als Hill of Tyverton twentie Powndes I give my Coſen Richard Prows of Tyverton twentie Powndes I give unto John Chilcott als Comyn of Tyverton twentie Powndes I give unto his Sonne Robert Chilcott als Comyn twentie powndes he is my Servaunte And of this my laſt Will I make and ordeyne my very loveinge Friends Mr William Craven and William Parker Mr Cravens Partner Marchaunt Tailors of London and George Slee of Tyverton my Coſen and John Weſt the elder and John Weſt his Son my Coſine late of Tyverton both of them were theſe five Perſons William Craven William Parker George Slee John Weſt and his Sonne John Weſt my full

Executors and I conſtitute and appoynte my loveinge Friends Mr James Clarke Eſquier of Norton in the Countie of Somerſett and Ric Spurway als Hill of Tyverton and my Coſen Ric Prows of Tyverton and John Chilcott als Comyn of Tyverton and his Sonne Robert Chilcott als Comyn my Man of Tyverton to be my Superviſors or Overſeers for the Execution of the ſame my Teſtamente and laſte Will revokeing and utterly adnylling all other former Teſtaments and laſt Wills by me at any Tyme heretofore made or ordeyned either by Worde or Writinge and moreover my Debts paied and my Legacies and bequeſts herein performed the reſt of my Goodes I give to the aforeſaide Mr William Craven and Mr. William Parker George Slee John Weſt the elder and John Weſt the younger to be equally devided betwixt them my five Executors. In witnes whereof I have hereunto ſette my Seale ſubſcribed the Daie and Yeare firſt above written in the preſence of theis whoſe Names are ſubſcribed to this my laſte Will which conteyneth in all fouerteene Sheetes of Paper I ſaie fouerteen Sheetes of

Paper

Paper written by me Peter Blundells owne hand writeinge. P



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Memorandum that this is the laſt Will and Teſtament of the within mentioned Peter Blundell beinge written with his own proper hande and conteyned in fourteen Sheetes of Paper being ſealed and ſubſcribed by the ſaid Peter this preſent nyneth daie of June 1599 *in the preſence of Charles Boſtocke ſcr James Stanley ſcr by me Richard Hey meiq; Thome Fardfielde . . . . . dicti Caroli Boſtocke ſcr Zachar Humfry ſcr* 1599 *meiq; Richardi Chapman*

THE

PROBATE.

QTENORE preſentium nos Johannes providentia divina Cantuarienſis Archiepiſcopus totius Angliæ Metropolitanus notum facimus univerſis Quod viceſimo octavo die menſis Aprilis anno Domini milleſimo ſexcenteſſimo primo apud London coram venerabili viro Magiſtro Johanne Gibſon Legum Doctore Curiæ noſtræ Prerogativæ Cantuarienſis Magiſtro Cuſtode ſive Commiſſario legitime conſtituto probatum approbatum et inſinuatum fuit Teſtamentum PETRI BLUNDELL nuper dum vixit de Tyverton in Comitatu Devoniæ Dioceſa Exonienſi noſtraque Canturienſi Provincia defuncti (preſentibus annexis) valentis dum vixit et mortis ſuæ temporæ bona jura ſive credita diverſis Dioceſiis ſive Juriſdictionibus peculiaribus cujus obtenta ipſius Teſtamenti approbatio et inſinuatio Adminiſtrationibuſque omnium et ſingulorum bonorum jurium et creditorum ſuorum Commiſſio necnon computi Calculi ſive Ratiocinii Adminiſtrationis hujuſmodi auditio finaliſque liberatio et dimiſſio ab eadem ad nos ſolum et inſolidum et non ad aliud nobis inferiorem Judicem notorie denoſcuntur pertinere et commiſſa fuit Adminiſtratio omnium et ſingulorum bonorum jurium et creditorum dictum defunctum et ejus Teſtamentum qualitercunque

qualitercunque concernentium WILLIELMO CRAVEN WILLIELMO PARKER GEORGIO SLEE JOHANNI WEST ſeniori et JOHANNI WEST juniori Executoribus in huioc modo Teſtamento nominatis primitus de bene et fideliter adminiſtrando eadem ac de pleno et vero Inventorio omnium et ſingulorum bonorum jurium et creditorum hujuſmodi conficiendo illudque in Curiam noſtræ Prerogativæ Cantuarienſis ſecundo die poſt feſtum Nativitatis Sancti Johannis Baptiſtæ proxime futurum exhibendum Necnon deputamus et vero computo calculo ſive ratio cinio inde reddendo ad ſancta Dei Evangelia in perſona Magiſtri Thomæ Browne Notarii Publici Procuratoris in ea parte ligitime conſtituti jurati Data die menſis anno Domini et loco predictis et noſtræ Tranſlationis anno decimo octavo

WILLIELMUS WOODHALL Regiſtrarius

EXTRACTS

FROM THE WILL OF

JOHN HAM.

R *IN the Name of God Amen May the firſt in the thirtyth Year of Lord King Charles the 2d &c. Annoq; Domini* 1678 *I John Ham of Uplowman in the County of Devon Gent being &c do make and declare this my laſt Will and Teſtament*

Firſt &c

Alſo whereas my Father deceaſed by his laſt Will gave towards a Stock for a Workhouſe in Tiverton thirty pounds ſo as the ſame were ſett up and two hundred pounds by the Maior and Company raiſed for the ſame within three years after his death (which not being done nor the ſaid thirty pounds paid) now my Will is (though I do

I do not conceive myſelf engaged thereunto) that in lieu thereof and out of that reſpect and duty I owe to Learning and eſpecially to the foundation of Tiverton School (the promotion of Learning being Charity indeed) I do appoint my Executor hereafter named to beſtow with the advice of Mr Blundells Feoffees Two hundred pounds out of my Eſtate (which ſhall be paid by forty pounds per annum to the ſaid Feoffees to that end) which ſhall be towards the maintenance of a Fellow and Scholar in Sidney Suſſex College in Cambridge or in Baliol College in Oxon to be choſen from time to time from Tiverton School after the firſt appointment which firſt appointment for the Fellowſhip my Will is ſhall be my Son John Ham with liberty for him to ſtudy either Divinity or Phyſick After his enjoyment thereof then the ſame to be enjoied by ſuch Succeſſor and Succeſſors as the ſaid Feoffees and their Succeſſors for the time being ſhall elect of Scholars taught in Tirerton School and borne in the Town of Tiverton if any be fitt and for default of ſuch then of the pariſhes neareſt adjacent that ſhall be fitt and there taught

taught according to ſuch Agreements and Compoſitions as the ſaid Feoffees (to whom I give the ſaid Two hundred pounds to that end) ſhall make with the Maſters and Fellows of either of the ſaid Colleges touching the ſame

And I give unto my ſaid Son John Ham the ſum of eight hundred pounds lawfull money of Englond to be paid unto him at his Age of thirty years but if before he ſhall attain that age he ſhall be by his Brother Robert Hams death come to have in hand Overhearn aforeſaid to have and to hold ~~to hold~~ to him and his Heirs males or females of his body then my Will is that he ſhall only have two hundred pounds thereof and at the end of two years next after his Brother Roberts death And for the reſidue of the ſaid eight hundred pounds Two hundred pounds thereof ſhall be paid unto my daughter the Wife of John Pym jun of Exon Merchant &c And one hundred pounds to be paid to Mr Blundells feoffees at the end of Six years next after the death of the ſaid Robert Ham towards the purchaſe of ſome Fellowſhip or Scholarſhip in manner as aforeſaid as they ſhall ſee good &c

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In witneſs whereof I have hereunto ſett my hand and Seal (revoking all former Wills by me made) the day and year aboveſaid

JOHN HAM

Signed ſealed and publiſhed
in preſence of

Jo: Gidley
R: Roſe
Mary Roſe wife of
Richard Roſe

EXTRACTS

FROM THE WILL OF

BENJAMIN GILBERD.

S I *Benjamin Gilberd of the City of Exeter Grocer make this my laſt Will and Teſtament in manner and form following (that is to ſay) I reſign my Soul to God my Creator in the ſure and certain hope of a joyful reſurrection to eternal life through the merits and mediation of our bleſſed Lord and Saviour Jeſus Chriſt and as to all my worldly eſtate I give and diſpoſe thereof in manner following (that is to ſay) I give to my Truſtees the Reverend Nutcombe Quicke Chancellour of the Cathedral Church at Exeter*

Exeter James White of the City of Exeter Eſquire Abraham Kennaway of Exeter merchant, and Henry Dunsford of Tiverton mercer to be paid them immediately after my deceaſe ſo much money as will purchaſe ſufficient Capital Stock in ſome or one of the public funds or Government ſecurity to produce the annual Dividend or Income of Sixty pounds which ſaid purchaſe ſhall be made in the names of my ſaid Truſtees and the Dividends Intereſt and Produce thereof received by them and the Survivors and Survivor of them and paid over from time to time as the ſame ſhall be received unto my ſervant Agnes Nott into her own hands only and not to any perſon to whom ſhe may ſell or aſſign it for her own abſolute uſe and benefit during her life And from and immediately after her deceaſe I will and direct that the ſaid Capital Stock ſhall be transferred to the Truſtees of Blundells free Latin School in the Town of Tiverton or ſome of them ſo that the Intereſt Dividends and produce thereof may forever be emploied and diſpoſed of for the

beneſit of the School and the Scholars educated therein at the diſcretion of the ſaid Truſtees who have or may have the direction and management of that charity.

I give &c

All the reſt reſidue and remainder of my Goods Chattels Money Securities for Money perſonal and teſtamentary Eſtate whatſoever and whereſoever and of what nature or kind ſoever my debts legacies and funeral expences being firſt paid and diſcharged I give and bequeath unto my Servant John Blackmore for his own abſolute uſe and beneſit and I hereby conſtitute ordain and appoint the ſaid John Blackmore Executor of this my laſt Will hereby revoking all former Wills by me at any time heretofore made and declare theſe preſents to be and contain my laſt will and Teſtament

In Witneſs whereof I the ſaid Benjamin Gilberd the Teſtator have to this my laſt Will and Teſtament in three ſheets of paper to the two firſt ſheets thereof ſett my name and to this third and laſt ſheet my name and ſeal this

this eigth day of November in the Year of our Lord one thouſand ſeven hundred and eighty three

BENJA GILBERD

Signed ſealed publiſhed and declared by the ſaid Benjamin Gilberd the Teſtator as for his laſt Will and Teſtament in the preſence of us three who at his requeſt and in his preſence and alſo in the preſence of each other have ſubſcribed our names as witneſſes thereto

Jno. Brutton
Jno. Jones
Andrew Lovering Sarell

EXTRACTS

FROM THE WILL OF

JOHN NEWTE.

IN the name of God Amen I John Newte clerk Rector of Tiverton in the County of Devon this tenth day of January &c one thousand seven hundred and fifteen &c do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament &c

First I give the annual Income or profits of the Lands I have in the parish of Braunton in this County called Lobb Philip to my Brother Peter Newte for and during his natural Life and after his decease to my Nephew Samuel Newte during his natural life and after his decease I give and bequeath the same to the Masters and Fellows of Baliol College in Oxford for the time being forever the annual profits to be bestowed by them in an Exhibition on a Scholar,

Scholar, not of Blundells fellows, but to be choſen out of Blundells School by the three Rectors of Tiverton aforeſaid or any two of them for the time being; which Scholar ſo choſen as aforeſaid, ſhall receive the benefit of this Exhibition yearly for ſeven years, if he ſhall continue member of the College ſo long but no longer

In witneſs whereof I have hereunto ſett my hand and Seal

JOHN NEWTE

Signed ſealed publiſhed and declared as the laſt Will and Teſtament of John Newte in the preſence of

Jno. Dickes
Wm. Richardſon
Jno. Bowdon
John Handford

This I add as a Codicill to my Will

Whereas I have ſettled the Income and profits of my Eſtate called Lobb Philip after the deceaſe of my Brother Newte upon my nephew Samuel Newte

Newte for his natural Life nevertheleſs my Will and meaning is that if my ſaid nephew Samuel Newte do ſucceed me in the Rectory of Tidcomb, he ſhall have nothing to do with the profits or Income of the ſaid Eſtate called Lobb Philip but my Will is that the income and profits of the aboveſaid Eſtate ſhall belong unto my Niece Mrs Sarah Newte now Wife of Mr. Francis Huyiſh for her natural Life but not till after the deceaſe of my Brother Peter Newte and then after her deceaſe to the Maſter and Fellows of Baliol College for the time being forever as aforeſaid this I ſigne and joyne with my Will and Teſtament 27 MR 59

JOHN NEWTE

Signed ſealed and publiſhed as a Codicil added to my Will the 13*th day of feby* 1715 *in the preſence of*

William Rayner
John Handford
and James Deeble

NOTES

ON THE

DONATIONS.

BRITISH MUSEUM

NOTES.

I Peter Blundell of Tiverton

WILL, PAGE 1. **A**

Blundell, by Tradition, was a Native of Tiverton, and, it appears from the Inſcription over the Gate-way, which leads into the Area before the School, that he was born in the year 1520.

We know but little of the early Part of his Life.—Prince, in his Worthies of Devon, ſays that "he was "a poor Lad, who went Errands for the Carriers "who came to Tiverton, and was tractable in look-"ing after their Horſes, and doing little Services as "they gave him Orders. By Degrees he got a little "Money, of which he was very careful, and bought "therewith a Kerſie, which a Carrier was ſo kind as "to carry for him to London gratis, and to make "him the Advantage of the Return. Having done "ſo for ſome Time, he at length got Kerſies enough

 "where-

† a Woolen manufacture

" wherewith to load an Horſe, and went with them " himſelf, where being found very diligent and induſ- " trious, he was received into good Employment, by " thoſe who managed there the Kerſie Trade, (for " which Tiverton was then very famous) and he con- " tinued therein until he was rich enough to ſet up " the Calling for himſelf."

The above Account, in all Probability, is an authentic one; for Prince informs us that he received it from " Mr. Newte, one of the Rectors of the Church of Tiverton;" whoſe Father was likewiſe Rector of Tiverton, and his Grandfather lived in the Neighbourhood of Tiverton at the ſame Time with Blundell.

He afterwards, moſt indiſputably became a Clothier in a very extenſive Line of Buſineſs, and ſpent much Time in London, where he formed a valuable and large Acquaintance, particularly with Lord Chief Juſtice Popham, and the Family of Whitmore.

His Donations to various Hoſpitals, &c. in London, teſtify his Partiality to the City: And having been never married, he died there on the 18th Day of April, 1601, leaving many * collateral Relations, whom I have noticed in a Genealogical Table.

My

* See Appendix.

My laſt Will B

w. p. 3.

The Will, in ſome Parts of it, appears to be drawn up by a Lawyer of Eminence: In others, the Style reſembles that of a Man who committed his Thoughts to Paper juſt as they occurred to him. It was evidently made at different Periods—a Circumſtance not much to be wondered at, when we conſider, that it was the Will of a Man near fourſcore Years of Age, and that it was all his own Hand-writing. It was executed in London.

buried in the Parriſh Church of St. Michael Pater Noſter in London yf I ſhall there happen to leave my lief C

w. p. 3.

There is no Monument to his Memory in that Church, but we find from the Regiſter, that he was buried in that Pariſh on the "9th Day of May, 1601." That Pariſh is now better known by the Name of St. Michael Royal. He directed a conſiderable Sum to be expended in his Funeral.

At the Time in which he gave theſe Directions, he ſeems not to have totally relinquiſhed his intentions of

of going backwards and forwards from the Metropolis to Tiverton: And it is very certain, that at that Time he carried on Trade at Tiverton, which in all Probability, he continued to the Day of his Death.

Wares Plate Jewels Ready Money and Depts

w. p. 3.

His ſpecific Legacies amounted to 32,178l. and it is generally believed that the Executors, after the Payment of thoſe Legacies, divided a large Reſidue.

D *I give to Ann Whitmore widdowe*

w. p. 4.

Mrs. Whitmore was the only Daughter of Mr. William Bond, Alderman and Sheriff of London.—She was firſt married to Mr. Robert King of London; afterwards to Mr. William Whitmore, Blundell's very intimate Friend, a Citizen and Alderman of London, who was deſcended from an ancient Family in Shropſhire.

Mr. Whitmore, one of his Deſcendants, and Member of Parliament for Brignorth, now reſides at Apley, the Family Seat in that County.

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As the Widow Whitmore, her Relations, and Servants poſſeſſed ſo large a Share of Blundell's Eſtate as 3,883l. and as we cannot diſcover that Blundell kept any Houſe in London, for if he had been an Houſekeeper in that City, it is moſt likely that he would have remembered his own, as well as Mrs. Whitmore's menial Servants; we may from hence infer, that he ſpent the greateſt Part of his Time with Mr. and Mrs. Whitmore.

Robert Chilcotte alies Comyn is my ſervaunte E

w. p. 5.

Mr. Chilcot was Blundell's Nephew, being his Siſter's Son, and enjoyed a larger ſpecific Legacy from him, than any other of his Relations did. The Appellation of Servant given to him by his Uncle, muſt not be underſtood to deſcribe him as a menial Servant. It was a familiar Mode of Expreſſion among Perſons in Trade, and applicable to a confidential Perſon, who in our Days is called a Clerk in the Accounting Houſe. There are two ſimilar Inſtances to which the ſame Obſervation will extend, namely, to Polſtede who lived with Mr. Whitmore, and to Webber who

who lived with Mr. Spurway. I find that Mr. Chilcot then carried on Trade in London for himſelf. He calls himſelf in his own Will, Comyn alias Chilcot.

F *Chriſtes Hoſpital, Bartholomews Oſpital, St. Thomas Ooſpital*

w. p. 6.

As Blundell's Donations to theſe Hoſpitals are not recorded on any Table within the Buildings, they are in all Probability at this Time blended with other Endowments belonging to theſe Societies.

Richard Weober of Tiverton he is one of my Tuckers

w. p. 11.

This is a Confirmation that Blundell carried on Trade in Tiverton at the Time of making this Part of his Will.

G *to the Mercers, Grocers &c. Fortie Shillings a Year to the poor People in Bedlam &c.*

w. p. 11.

To the Honour of theſe 12 Companies, the Annuities entruſted to their Care, are regularly paid, and

and the Annuitants know to whoſe Bounty they are indebted.

My deare frende Sir John Popham.

W. p. 25.

Sir John Popham was at that Time Lord Chief Juſtice of the Common Pleas, afterwards of the King's Bench. When in the Country he reſided at his Seat at Wellington Court in Somerſet, about 12 Miles from Tiverton.

From this Paſſage, and from the reſpectful Manner in which the Lord Chief Juſtices' Name is mentioned in * other Parts of the Will, and from his appearing to have had the ſole Direction in what Manner the ſeveral Truſts, made in Blundell's Will, ſhould be inveſted, we may reaſonably conclude, that there ſubſiſted the moſt intimate Friendſhip between the Lord Chief Juſtice and Blundell. Out of Reſpect therefore to the Memory of their Founder, as well as the great Abilities and Integrity of his Friend, the Name of Popham ſeems to demand ſome Attention from the Feoffees. I find the Name of Popham

* WILL, p. 32, 35, 39, 44, 45, 46.

in the Liſt of Feoffees down to the Year 1740, and whenever an Opportunity ſhould offer, perhaps it would be no ill placed Compliment to add one of that Family again to the Liſt. The Feoffees probably will ſoon be in Poſſeſſion of his Picture; and but for ſome unknown Accident, they would have had the moſt proper Companion for it, the Picture of their Founder, which was given in the Year 1694, by a Sir William Whitmore, (a Deſcendant of his other Friend) to be placed in the School, but it was loſt in conveying to the Place for which it was intended.

I *To the Maior of Exon nyne hundred powndes &c.—five hundred powndes thereof the Maior ſhall put forth to twenty five poor Artificers within the Cittie and Suburbs, &c.—to each of them twenty five powndes, &c.—four hundred pounds to twenty Artificers, &c. of Tiverton.*

w. p. 26.

This Charity was not loſt in the Year 1761, for I find that one of the Twenty Pounds, was lent in that Year to a Perſon of Tiverton. And poſſibly the Whole

Whole may ſtill be in Circulation, but if it ſhould not, as Individuals, we may lament the Fate of it in common with many other Charities in this Kingdom.

My Executors &c. ſhall buyld a faier Schoolhowſe &c.—the floor of the Schoole to be well plancked with plancks of Oke and to be wainſcotted &c.—and the goinge in &c. to be at one only place with a ſtrong Gate with a little dore &c.—as near the River of Ex or Loman as may be—and beſtowe therein twentie fower hundred poundes

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w. p. 33.

Within four Years after the Death of Blundell, the Schools, with the Dwelling-houſe and Offices, were built near the River Loman. The Parts of the Fabric and its Appendages, are too well known to require any Deſcription in this Place. The Floors and Wainſcot of the Schools, being much decayed, were renewed about the Year 1773, and the great Gate likewiſe falling to decay, Iron Gates were erected in their Stead in the Year 1695,—at which Time the Porter's Lodge was built. The following ancient Inſcriptions remain over the Gates.

" Hoſpita diſquirens Pallas Tritonia ſedem
" Eſt Blundellinæ percita amore Scholæ.
" Aſcivit ſedem, placuit cupienſqz foveri
" Hoſpes ait, Petre ſis, qui mihi fautor eris."

" This free Grammar School
" was founded at the only
" Coſt and charge of Mr. Peter
" Blundell of this Town ſometime
" Clothier. Anno Dom. 1604.
Ætatis ſuæ 81."

ſhall not be taughte above the number of one hundred and fiftie Scholers at any one tyme and thoſe of Children born or for the moſt parte before their age of ſixe years brought up &c. in Tyverton, &c.—the want ſhall be ſupplied with the children of Forreyners &c. with the aſſent of tenne Houſeholders.

w. p. 36.

The Schools will contain many more than 150 Boys, but it does not appear that there ever was that number educated in them at one time. For half a Century paſt, from my own Memory, I can declare, the

the Number has not at any Time much exceeded one Hundred. At preſent there are only 96; ſo that it ſeems unneceſſary to make a Diſtinction between Natives and Foreigners.

Noe Scholer bee or continue in the ſaid Schoole &c. above the age of eighteen yeares

W. p. 37.

This ſeems to be a general Direction as to Continuance of Boys at the School; but at the ſame Time, it more immediately relates to the Boys who may be elected Blundell's Scholars on the Foundation at Balliol and Sydney Suſſex Colleges.

For want of proper Attention to this Paſſage in reſpect of Age, two Inſtances have occurred (which I ſhall mention hereafter) when the Boys were refuſed Admittance into College on Account of Superanuation.

the ſaid School Maſter who ſhall &c. have the uſe of the Roomes &c. and alſo one Uſher who ſhall have &c. one Chamber only &c. the School maſter &c. ſhall have yearely fiftie powndes and the Uſher twentie Markes &c.

W. p. 37.

Many

Many additional Conveniencies to the Buildings have been made from Time to Time, to accomodate the Maſter and Uſher, in ſo much that the former is enabled to receive 38 Boys, and the latter 15 Boys; for each of which is paid 16l. a Year.

The Salary of the Maſter has not been increaſed, but that of the 20 Marks to the Uſher has been altered to twenty Pounds. Some of the Maſters have been allowed 10l. a year out of the Truſt Money, when they have wiſhed to have an Aſſiſtant in the higher School.

My hope &c. is that they would hold themſelves ſatisfied &c. it ſhall be a free School and not a School of Exaction.

W. p. 37.

Near Two Hundred Years having elapſed ſince the Foundation of this School, it is moſt likely that, if the Maſter or Uſher had not obſerved this Rule, it would have been noticed in the Archives of the School; but as nothing of the Kind appears, there needs no further Comment on this Paſſage.—However, I cannot help remarking, that on a Requeſt of the Maſter,

ter, " in the Year 1779, leave was given him to ſerve the Pariſh of Stoodley," which is diſtant about five Miles from the School-houſe, and I am happy to recollect, that I oppoſed this Indulgence;—an indulgence which had not been granted before, and which I hope never will again, unleſs it is confined to any one of the Portions of the Church of Tiverton.

I give all my Landes &c. in the Countie of Devon &c.

w. p. 38.

It does not appear that Blundell was poſſeſſed of any other landed Eſtate in any other County, or in any other Places of the County of Devon, than the Pariſh of Tiverton, and thoſe Pariſhes into which the *Manor of Weſt Prawl extends. Beſides theſe landed Eſtates, the Feoffees now have 2730£. Capital Truſt Monies in Old South Sea Annuities: The preſent Income of the Truſt Eſtate, is about 280£. a Year, and the outgoings are about 240£. a Year.

In the Year 1741, the Feoffees being divided in Opinion, in what Manner they ought to apply† the Truſt Money, which remained after the Diſcharge of the

* See Appendix No. x. xi. xii. xii. † See Appendix No. vii.

the General Annual Expence, and which had ariſen from the Deaths of Tenants on the Eſtates, and from a Legacy given by Mr. Ham, (Part of which was in the Funds, and Part in the Treaſurer's Hands,) they applied to Chancery by an amicable Bill, and in the Maſter's Report it is ſaid, that "the Feoffees might "apply the Surpluſage of Blundell's Charity in Aug-"mentation of Stipends of Blundell's Scholars at Bal-"liol or Sydney Suſſex College—or in Addition of "new Scholarſhips—or in one or more Exhibitions "at large to any College in Oxford or Cambridge, "as they think fit; it not being poſſible to eſtabliſh "any particular Sum."

There is a ſmall Augmentation of 4l. a Year paid to each of Blundell's Scholars at Balliol, and another of 9l. a Year to each of thoſe at Sydney Suſſex College.

Unto Sir Frauncis Popham Knight &c. and to their Heirs &c.

w. p. 38.

Who ſo proper to be at the Head of the original Feoffees as the Son and Heir Apparent of the Founder's dear

dear Friend, the Lord Chief Juſtice?—Many Deſcendants of the original Feoffees are to be ſeen in the Liſt.

Fortie Shillings yearly to a perfecte Clarke &c. to be appointed by the ſaid Feoffees or the moſt Part of them for keeping a true and perfect Book of Survey &c.

W. p. 39.

A Clerk was choſen with the appointed Salary; but the Feoffees elected a Treaſurer from among themſelves, who kept the Accounts, and was reſponſible for the Receipts and Payments, from the Year 1610 to 1734; when it being thought too much Trouble, they conſolidated the two Offices, which ſtill continues, and increaſed the Salary to 14 Pounds a year.

There is a large Folio in Vellum, wherein the Accounts from 1610 are entered: It is kept in the great Cheſt in the School; a Copy or Duplicate of it remains with the Clerk.

taking alwaies warrant of all his doeings from

the ſaide Feoffees or the moſt part of them.

W. p. 39.

The Clerk's Conduct is regulated by the Feoffees at their Meeting, and his Directions are entered in their Book of Orders.

As the true Laboure and Exerciſe of Huſbandry is a thinge very profitable in the Common Welthey &c. and yet at this preſent much neglected &c.

W. p. 39.

Many of Blundell's Charities breathe ſomething of a public Spirit, but not one of theſe already noticed, is introduced with ſo formal a Preface as this. He probably remembered his own Situation in the early Part of his Life, which might have made him give this Donation in ſo particular a Manner.

Apprenticing poor Boys to Huſbandry was about this Time a new Inſtitution, and making a Proviſion for them at the Expiration of their Apprenticeſhip, which this Charity expreſsly did, was a great Encouragement of it.

Twentie

Twentie pownde yearly &c. ſhall be ymploied &c. five pownde to fower poor Boys &c. of Tiverton &c. of fifteen years or under &c. as by the ſaid tenn inhabitants—to be delivered to the Maſter with aſſurance to be taken by the ſaid Clarke for re-payment to the Servante if ſervice be performed &c. I doubt not but the Maſter will ymploie the ſame for the Servaunts benefit—yf ſervice not performed &c.

W. p. 40.

It is very evident, that Blundell intended this Legacy as a Reward for the Boy, if he faithfully ſerved his Maſter during his Apprenticeſhip. But for many Years paſt the Boys have not been rewarded, after ſerving their Time faithfully, in ſo ample a Manner as he intended: For a Deduction has been made for the Expences of the Indenture—of the Bond from the Maſter to repay the 5l.—and of another Bond from the Boy to compel him when out of his Time to follow Huſbandry. It muſt be admitted that the Indenture and the firſt Bond are abſolutely neceſſary, but whether there is ſuch a Neceſſity for the ſecond

Bond, is offered for your Conſideration. The Words of the Will do not imply ſuch an Obligation, and I do not remember to have heard of any Law that requires it.

Profeſſing myſelf then an Advocate for thoſe poor Boys, to ſhew the generous Diſpoſition of the Feoffees, "as well in Matters of Huſbandry as the School," I am induced to propoſe, that the Legacy may come entire to the Boys in future, and that the neceſſary Expences, which may attend the binding of them, may be defrayed out of the Truſt Fund.—A third Part to be deducted out of each Legacy, is ſurely a great deal to each of the Objects, but it cannot be a material Article if paid out of our general Fund. There are but very few Inſtances in the Tranſactions of this Huſbandry Matter, where the Feoffees have been obliged to call on the Maſter for the Repayment of the Sum received in Caſes of Delinquency, or Death of the Boy—but when either has happened, the Money has been applied, for it does not return to the Truſt Fund, in charitable Diſtributions to the poor Relations of the Boy, or to the Poor in general of Tiverton.

Feoffees

Feoffees for the Tyme being or the moſt part of them &c. M

W. p. 41.

Notwithſtanding there ſeems to be a very clear Expreſſion in the above, as well as in the ſubſequent Quotation from the Will, of the Numbers neceſſary to make Orders, elect Maſters, &c. yet on ſome Doubt ariſing among the Feoffees in the Year 1734, the Opinion of the Maſter of the Rolls was obtained, an Extract whereof is as follows, (viz.) "that there ought to be preſent at the Meeting for Elections, &c. a Majority of the Feoffees, and the Elections made by a Majority of the Feoffees preſent." Reſting upon that opinion, all Scruples have been done away, as there ever ſince has been a perfect Uniformity in executing the Truſt Buſineſs, when the Majority of the ſurviving Feoffees attended at a Meeting—and for want of ſuch a Number attending, the Buſineſs has ſtood over to another Day.

Sett down Orders &c. touching the Schole and matters of Huſbandry.

W. p. 42.

Our

Our Book of Orders commenced in the Year 1663. It is evident from a Paſſage in the great Book of Account, that there was another Book of Orders (not to be found at this Time) of a much earlier Date, the Fate of which requires that there ſhould be more Care taken of this. A Duplicate of it is certainly as neceſſary as that of the great Book of Account; and when it is made, the beſt Way of preſerving it, will be to place the original in the Cheſt, and the Duplicate may remain with the Clerk. Upon what Account they were taken out of the Cheſt is at this Time unknown, but a great Number of Deeds and Evidences belonging to our Truſt are certainly removed and cannot now be found. Our Clerk, to my certain Knowledge, has been very aſſiduous in his Searches, and has recovered many of the Records of the School, which had been removed long before he came into Office: And I have no Doubt but from the ſame Degree of Aſſiduity he will recover more of them.— Should he fail of Succeſs, the Interference of the Feoffees will be highly neceſſary to obtain them by ſome legal Method.

Scholemaſter and Uſher ſhall be appointed and

diſplaced

diſplaced by the Feoffees for the tyme being, or the moſt parte of them &c.

w. p. 42.

On a Vacancy of the Office of the Maſter or Uſher, by Death or Reſignation, (for there is no Inſtance of the Removal of either for Miſbehaviour—a Circumſtance much to the Credit of thoſe who have filled theſe Offices) the Vacancy has been filled up by the Majority of the Feoffees, previous Notice of an Election having been given by the Clerk in various Newſpapers. In Caſe of a Reſignation, it was "ordered in 1775 that the Maſter and Uſher is to give Notice thereof at Whitſuntide or Chriſtmas." Upon ſome Diſputes between the Maſter and Uſher in the Year 1734, it was "ordered that the Superintendancy of both Schools ſhall be in the Maſter:" Upon ſome further Diſputes between them in 1791, the laſt Order was confirmed, with this Addition, "that the School Hours be the ſame to both Maſter and Uſher, and equally to be obſerved by each of them:" And it was likewiſe then "ordered that the Direction of the Gates "ſhall be with the Maſter who may order them to be "opened and ſhut when he thinks proper, but that

"both

" both Maſter and Uſher be ſeparately at Liberty to " give Leave to any Boy, who boards in their reſpec- " tive Houſes to go out on Application of their " Friends; and that the ſame Rule be extended to " the Liberty of the Boys abſenting themſelves from " Church, unleſs under the immediate Care of the " reſpective Maſters."

Allowance of the Ordinarie of the Dioceſe of Devon to the ſaid electing only.

w. p. 42.

Should the Feoffees at any Time think proper to remove the Maſter or Uſher, the Biſhop has no Power to prohibit—but his Allowance is neceſſary to con- firm an Election.

Feoffees and all other Feoffees &c. by death or otherwiſe ſhall come to the number of thirteen with the leaſt &c. with the Heirs of the other deceaſed Feoffees if they be not unfit &c. ſhall make up with themſelves the number of twenty five Feoffees again with the leaſt &c.

w. p. 43.

*Twenty-

*Twenty-ſeven Feoffees were named in the Will, but in future Twenty-five only were deemed neceſſary. Two of the original Feoffees were infant Sons of his Relations John Weſt and John Blundell, whom he appointed Feoffees, not willing that they ſhould run the Riſque of being excluded at an Election.

As to the filling up the Truſt two Obſervations occur. Firſt, that the Feoffees are obliged to fill up, when they are reduced to thirteen, but they are not required to wait until they are reduced to that Number. Second, that when they fill up, they muſt make up including themſelves, the Number of Twenty-five, at the leaſt, but they are not prohibited from exceeding that Number.

To avoid a precipitate Election of Feoffees, it was ordered in 1771, "that no Feoffee be choſen without a Year's Notice at a Meeting, of an Intention to fill up the Truſt."

N

For the encreaſe of good and godly preachers of the Goſpel &c. my Executors ſhall beſtow the Sum of twoe thouſand poundes &c. in foundeing

* See Appendix, No. I.

&c. ſix Schollers, to be Studients in Divinitie in the Univerſitie of Oxford or Cambridge

w. p. 44.

Blundell lived at a Time when Matters of Religion were ſcarce ſettled after the Reformation. His Adherence to the Proteſtant Religion is ſtrongly marked by this Foundation. The Proceſs of eſtabliſhing the Scholarſhips is ſhewn hereafter in a Note on Sir John Popham's Nomination of the firſt ſix Scholars.

And as they ſhall be preferred &c. their places ſhall be ſupplied by the Feoffees &c. with the advice of the Scholemaſter &c.

w. p. 45.

A Vacancy* of a Scholarſhip may happen from the following Cauſes, viz.

" Inſufficiency in learning after three Years pro-
" bation.

" Not ſtudying Divinity and becoming Preachers
" of the Word of God.

" Having held a Fellowſhip ten Years after A. M.
" or Time to be A. M.

" Death,

* See Appendix No XV. Alſo College Books.

" Death, Marriage, or Acceptance of a School.
" Acceptance of a Benefice with Cure of Souls."

† On every Vacancy of a Scholarſhip, the College is obliged, by the Agreements with the Feoffees, " with-
" in two Months after to give Notice to the Feoffees,
" that they may make Choice of another Scholar in
" the School; and the Allowance &c. of Commons
" for two Months following, remains for Scholars
" which ſhall be next ſent. If, upon Notice given,
" the Feoffees ſhall not within two Months ſend a
" Scholar, the College may retain Allowance unti
" Scholar be ſent. But if Scholar be not ſent fo
" Want of Notice, Scholar next ſent ſhall receive Al-
" lowance, &c. from the Vacancy."

In Conſequence of the Vacancy being noticed, the Feoffees, until the Year 1764, met within a ſhort Space of Time, and elected a Scholar; but in that Year an Order (which has ſince been adhered to) was made " that the Feoffees ſhould annually meet on the 29th " Day of June unleſs that Day happened on a Sun-
" day, and then on the Monday following." This Order ſeems to militate againſt the Spirit of the Agreements juſt before mentioned, and againſt promoting Emulation in the Candidates, in as much as any Pro-

 craſtination

† See Append. N° II. III.

craſtination of an Election of a Scholar by the Feoffees, throws the Income of the vacant Scholarſhip into a different Channel from what it ought to go in; and beſides that, the Boys placed at the School on Purpoſe to be Candidates, may, for Want of a ſufficient Number of Feoffees being preſent to elect a Scholar, be ſuperannuated. Within a few Years paſt the Election has been frequently put off, becauſe a ſufficient Number of Feoffees did not attend, which confirms the Propriety of this Remark. When a Meeting is held "a Chairman is balloted for, who has a caſting Vote in Caſe of an Equality of Votes upon any Queſtion reſpecting the Truſt." The Candidates make Latin Orations—produce Poetical Compoſitions—and are examined in the Claſſics by the Maſter in the Preſence of the Feoffees, and a public Audience in the School.

It is neceſſary that the Candidates be furniſhed with a Certificate of their Age, for, as by the Will no Boy can remain in the School after he is 18 Years of Age, ſo he is ineligible unto a Scholarſhip, and inadmiſſible into College after he has completed that Period.

The two inſtances, (which I before alluded to) where an elected Scholar has been refuſed Admittance into Balliol College, on Account of Superanuation, are theſe. It was fatal to White, in 1617—and to Land,

Land, in 1781, when White's Caſe, and the Statutes of the College were urged as the Grounds of Refuſal by the College. That Caſe of White was litigated with great warmth, and at a great Expence between the Feoffees, and the College: It terminated in favor* of the College. By way of Caution to all Parties intereſted in the Election of Scholars for the Colleges, the following Orders have been made by the Feoffees, to wit "that† no Boy for the future ſhall ſtand as a Candidate, unleſs ſuch Boy hath been reſident in School three Years next before. And, "that‡ Boys choſen ſhall at the next Term at fartheſt after the Election, repair to College or continue in this School, and not at any other. And, "that§ no Scholar of Blundell's School ſhall be abſent therefrom, and have entered at either of the Univerſities, and continued there more than one Term ſhall be eligible on Blundell's or Ham's Foundation."

Many diſputes between the Feoffees and Balliol College have happened, but none came to a legal determination, except that Caſe of White. The tranſactions between the Feoffees and Sydney Suſſex College, have never been interrupted.

Of

* See Appendix, No. V. † 29 Auguſt, 1717.
‡ 24 January, 1716. § 29 June, 1781.

Of the apteſt and moſt towards in learning and ſuch as of themſelves or parents or otherwiſe leaſt able to mainteyne themſelves in the Miniſtrie.*

w. p. 45.

If it were doubtful that a partiality exiſted in a former part of the Will to the Natives of Tiverton, every Thing of the Kind is here done away: Merit, Abilities, and Circumſtances of Life (ſuppoſing the Boy elegible through Age) are, and ought to be the only Recommendation to the Feoffees. However the Form of an Allowance of a Foreigner by the ten Houſeholders, may as well be continued.

The firſt Sixe I leave to the Nomination and Appointment of the Lord Chief Juſtice &c.

w. p. 46.

His Lordſhip put this Part of the Truſt into Execution with great Aſſiduity. Not a Year had elapſed after Blundell's Death, before he nominated† the Scholars, and ordained that "two ſhould be founded in Balliol College, Oxford—Two others in Emmanuel College—and the two laſt in Sidney Suſſex College, Cambridge."

It

* W. p. 45, l. 11. read "towards" and not "forwards."

† 14 March 1601. See Appendix No. XIV. V. VI.

It happened that Emmanuel College would not accept the Nomination, which was thereupon revoked†, and the two Scholars intended for that College were added to thoſe in Sidney Suſſex College.

‡Agreements were very ſoon afterwards entered into between the Lord Chief Juſtice and the Colleges.

His Lordſhip§ dying before the Sum allotted could be laid out, the Eſtabliſhments were not completely ſettled till ſome Years after his Death—but in the mean Time the Executors maintained the Students in the Univerſities.

It appears by the Deeds (which are generally known by the Name of Compoſition Deeds) that, when the Eſtabliſhments were finally ſettled, "the Executors "had diſburſed a Thouſand Marks, and alſo "£.33 6 8 by Way of Increaſe, amounting to 700l. "towards purchaſing Lands at Woodſtock in Oxford-"ſhire, for the Maintenance of a Fellow and Scholar "at Balliol* College," And that "the Executors "had likewiſe diſburſed 2000 Marks, and alſo 100 "Marks by Way of Increaſe, amounting to 1400l. "towards purchaſing Lands at Clea in Lincolnſhire, for

† 20 Auguſt 1603. ‡ Sydney College, 20th Sept. 1603. Balliol College, 17th March 1603. § He died 11th Nov. 1607. * 11th Nov. 1615.

" for the Maintenance of two Fellows and two Scholars " in Sydney* Suſſex College."

Another† Fellowſhip and another Scholarſhip were afterwards eſtabliſhed between the Feoffees and Balliol College, on much the ſame Plan as thoſe before-mentioned. It is ſaid in this ſecond Deed of Compoſition, that " the College had lately received a Gratuity of 50l. " from the Feoffees towards the Diſcharge of certain " burthenſome Debts which then lay on the ſaid Col- " lege, and that the Sum of 600l. was in Hand paid " by the Feoffees to the College, for the Mainte- " nance of the ſaid Fellow and Scholar, &c."

A beneficial Circumſtance to the Truſt (which is not much known) attended the Tranſaction of this laſt Eſtabliſhment. For not long before it was carried into Execution, " the Rev. Richard Newte preſented the Feoffees with £.100, and in return it was agreed, that John Newte, his Son, ſhould be, as he afterwards was, the firſt Fellow on that Foundation."

All the Compoſition Deeds are much alike, § except in two or three inſtances.

O *I give unto John Weſt the Younger late of Tyverton a hundred pounds &c.*

W. p. 47.

* 13th June 1616. † 10th June 1676. § See Ap. XV.

In

In the former Part of the Will, Blundell gives a Legacy to this John Weſt, and deſcribes him as a Perſon then living at Tiverton, but when this Legacy was given, Weſt was living elſewhere, though he carried on the Trade of a Clothier at Tiverton,—a very preſumptive Proof that the Will, as ſuggeſted before, was made at Intervals; other Inſtances of the ſame Kind might be pointed out.

Fower hundred pounds towards a decent funeral beſides the two hundred and five pounds given for Gownes, &c.

W. p. 47.

We may naturally conclude, that the Executors did not heſitate to inter the Remains of their generous Friend with great Decency.

My laſt Will which conteyneth in all fourteene Sheets of Paper I ſaie fourteen Sheets of Paper written by me Peter Blundell's owne hand writeinge Peter Blundell

W. p. 50.

P

I have made many Inquiries after the original Will, not only at the public Offices, but I have applied likewiſe to many Individuals, with whom there was the leaſt Probability of finding it—but fruitleſs have been my Attempts. The Copy of the Will, as printed, I tranſcribed from an office Copy, to which the Probate is annexed, remaining among the Archives of the School. The Autograph of Blundell's Name, after comparing it with the uſual Mode of his ſubſcribing it to his Leaſes, I copied from that to the Contract of the Manor of Weſt Prawl, which he bought in the Year 1569 for Seven Hundred and Ninety-two Pounds.

Tenore preſentium &c. quod viceſcimo octavo die menſis Aprilis anno domini milleſimo ſexcenteſimo primo &c. probatum fuit teſtamentum &c. Willielmo Craven &c.

w. p. 53.

From that various Diſpoſition of Property declared in the Will, it is not to be wondered, that the Executors proceeded with Caution, and proved the Will within a few Days after the Death of the Teſtator, and ſometime before his Burial.

Craven

Craven was the acting Executor, and took Poſſeſſion of Blundell's Papers immediately on his Death, ſo that none of them ever came to the Cuſtody of the Feoffees but thoſe that belonged to his real Eſtates.

I John Ham of Uplowman Gent. &c. R

w. p. 54.

Ham was the Son of Mr. William Ham of Tiverton Merchant. The Father acquired a handſome Fortune, part of which he realized in the Purchaſe of Widhays in Uplowman, where he and his Deſcendants lived in good Repute for many Years. Our Benefactor left a Son, who dying without Iſſue, the Eſtate paſſed into another Name. Ham died ſoon after making his Will in 1678.

Two hundred pounds to Mr. Blundell's Feoffees towards the maintenance of a Fellow and Scholar in Sydney Suſſex or Balliol College— and one hundred pounds &c.

w. p. 55. 56.

It is ſuppoſed that neither Balliol or Sydney Suſſex College would agree with the Feoffees to eſtabliſh a Fellowſhip and Scholarſhip.

The Money for a long while lay blended with Blundell's Charity, till ſome of the Feoffees judging it proper that this Donation ſhould remain diſtinct from Blundell's, an Application was made to Chancery for Inſtructions, how to act in this Buſineſs, when it was reported* by the Maſter "that the Sum of £844 18 9. Old South Sea Annuities was the Pro-"portion, and did belong to Mr. Ham's Charity, "and that the Income and Produce thereof, would "until Reduction of the ſaid Old South Sea Annui-"ties annually produce £33 15 10. And by the ſame "Report the Maſter further directed "that the Feof-"fees might diſpoſe of the Income, in one or more "Exhibitions at large, at any College in either of the "Univerſities, in ſuch manner as they ſhall think "fit."

The Maſter's Directions† have been followed ever ſince in the Diſpoſal of the Income of this donation.

As the Maſter's Report is ſilent as to the Feoffees laying out the accumulated Sum, (which was then ſufficient of itſelf) in the Purchaſe of a Fellowſhip and Scholarſhip in Balliol or Sydney Suſſex College, as was intended, or even in any other College, if any Oppor-

* A. D. 1740. † See Appendix, No. VIII.

Opportunity offered—and as a diſcretionary Power is given to the Feoffees for the Diſpoſal of the Income, in one or more Exhibitions to Students at any College—it ſeems as if the Intention of the Donor was ſomewhat overlooked.

However, in order to make this Charity a better Object than it is at preſent, it being divided into two Exhibitions at the ſmall Income of £.11 10 0 each, (occaſioned by the Reduction of the Stocks or Dividends). It is propoſed for your Conſideration, that in future there may be only one Exhibition—and that the Student may be ſubject to ſimilar Limitations, as in the caſe of Blundell's Scholars in the Univerſities.

Should this meet with your Approbation, and ſhould it be publicly known, in all Probabity it might increaſe the Proſperity of the School; for the greater the Encouragement, the greater may be the Number of Candidates.

I Benjamin Gilberd of Exeter Grocer &c. S

w. p. 58.

Gilberd was a Native of Tiverton, and born in the Year 1721. He was a younger Son of Richard, and Grand-

Grandſon of John Gilberd, Merchants of that Town. He died unmarried at Exeter, in the year 1790, after having carried on the Trade of a Grocer, with great Reputation, and great Succeſs.

I give &c. ſo much money as will purchaſe capital Stock &c. to produce the annual income of Sixty pounds &c. unto my ſervant Agnes Nott &c. after her deceaſe &c. the Dividends to be emploied for the benefit of the School &c. at the diſcretion of the ſaid Truſtees &c.

w. p. 59.

The liberal and unreſerved manner in which Gilberd has veſted his Donation in the Feoffees, beſpeaks every Attention of Gratitude and Fidelity from them whenever it comes under their immediate Care and Circumſpection.

Agnes Nott, is now the wife of Oxton, Superviſor of Exciſe at Barnſtaple, and about Fifty Years of Age.

T *I John Newte of Tiverton &c.—An Exhibition of a Scholar in Balliol College—to be choſen out of Blundell's School by the Rectors &c.*

w. p. 62.

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I am aware, that it may be ſaid, that the Feoffees of Blundell's Lands have nothing to do with this Donation—yet it ſurely has ſome Claim to a place with the other Donations to the School, as the Perſon who is to receive the Benefit of it muſt have his Education within the walls of that Seminary.

Newte, was the Son of the Rev. Richard Newte, one of the Rectors of the Church of Tiverton (whoſe kindneſs to the School I have mentioned in a former Note), was educated in the School, and was the firſt Fellow in Balliol College, on the ſecond Eſtabliſhment in the Year 1676. He became Rector of two Portions in that Church, and died in 1715.

*The Exhibition did not take place till ſome Years after his Death. Its clear Income is now twenty-one Pounds a Year. The Student holds it for 7 years.

Far be it from my thoughts to reflect on the Directions of the Donor, or on the Rectors in executing them, in reſpect ofelecting the Boys for College—but it ſurely can be no improper Obſervation to ſuggeſt, that it might be no unwelcome Scene to the Eye of the Public, could they ſee an emulation of Candidates for this Exhibition brought forward in the ſame Place, and

* See Appendiv No. IX.

and Manner as is done in the Elections of Blundell's Scholars.

I flatter myself that I run no risque of Censure from the Rectors in what I hint at, nor from the Feoffees in anticipating their Concurrence to my Proposition.

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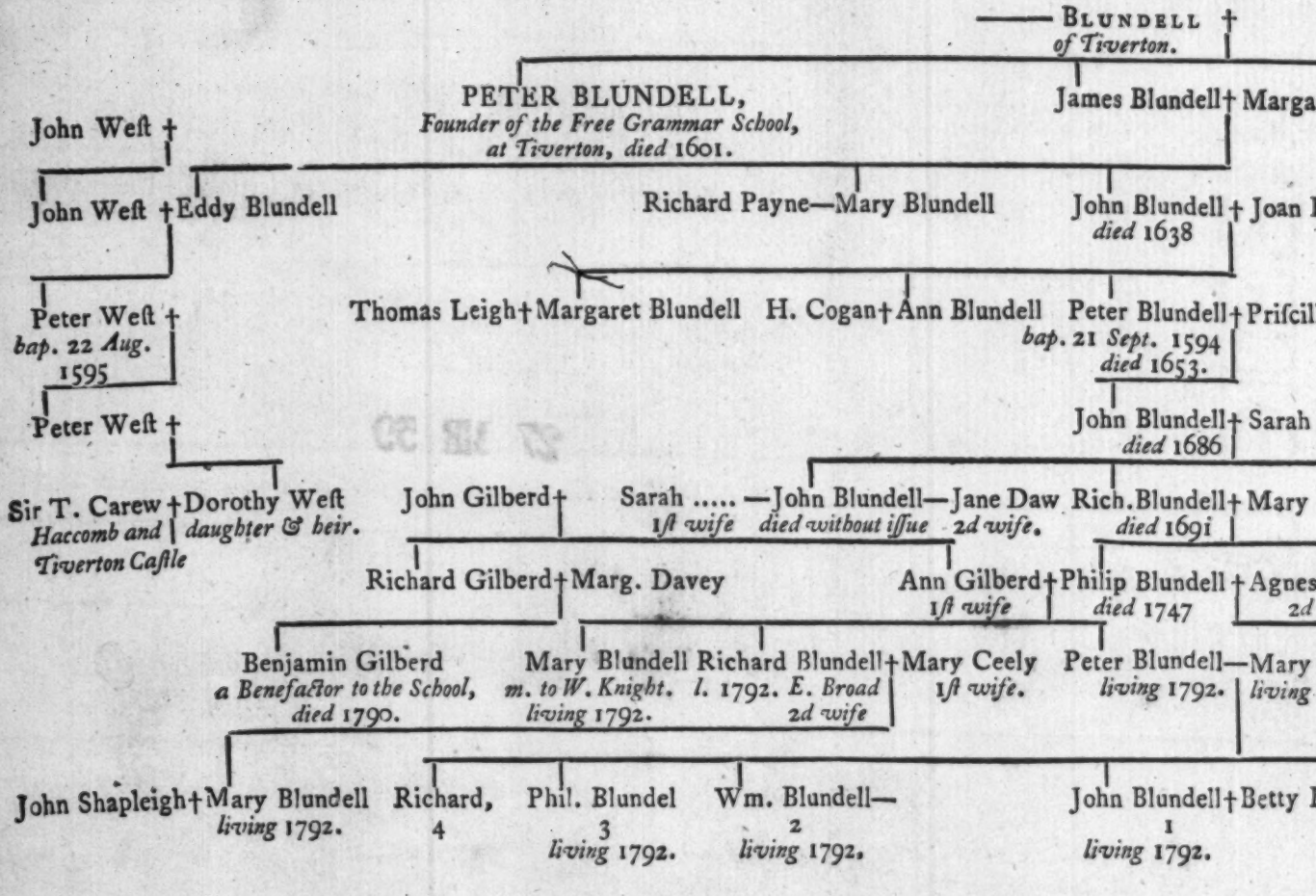
APPENDIX.

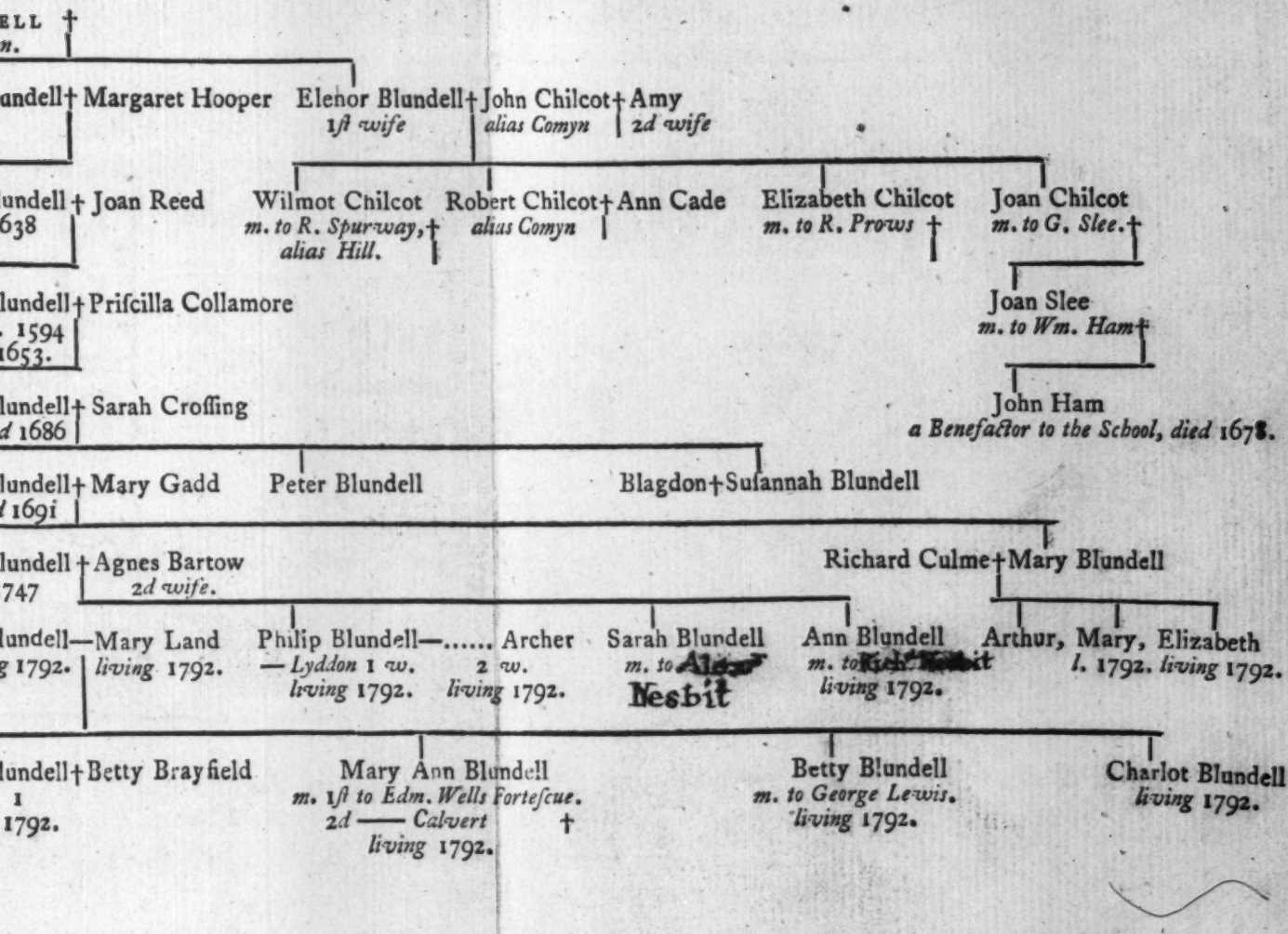
A P P E N

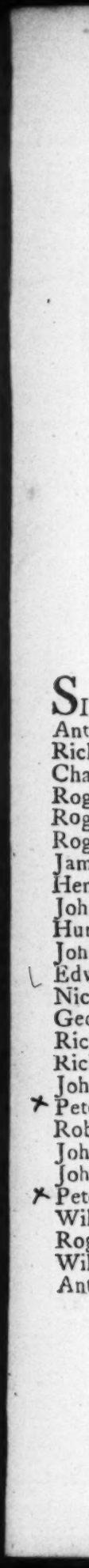
A GENEALOGICAL TABLE of the Family



E N D I X.

Family of BLUNDELL of TIVERTON, 1792.





No. 1.

A LIST of FEOFFEES

OF

BLUNDELL's LANDS.

FEOFFEES named in the Will, 1599.

SIR Frauncis Popham	*Wellington in Somerſet, Knt.*
Anthony Pollard	*Way.*
Richard Blewett	*Holcombe Rogus*
Charles Bere	*Huntſham*
Roger Ayſhford	*Ayſhford*
Roger Warre	*Keyton*
Roger Gifford	*Tiverton Caſtle*
James Clark	*Norton in Somerſet*
Henry Worth	*Worth*
	} *Eſqrs.*
John Weſt, the elder	} *Tiverton, Clothiers.*
Humfry Colman	
John Waldron	
Edward Amy	*Tiverton, Merchant*
Nicholas Skinner	} *Tiverton, Clothiers*
George Slee	
Richard Hill alias Spurwaie	
Richard Prows	
John Weſt the younger	
* Peter Weſt, *an infant Son of John Weſt, the younger*	
Robert Chilcot, alias Comyn	*London, Clothier*
John Demond	} *Tiverton, Clothiers*
John Blundell	
* Peter Blundell, *an infant Son of John Blundell*	
William Tanner	} *Tiverton, Clothiers*
Roger Slee	
William Cras	} *Tiverton, Kerſiemakers*
Anthony Craſſe	

* I first remarked the Infancy of these two Feoffees in the year 1760

FEOFFEES elected in 1617.

George Hukeley . . . of *Tiverton, Merchant*
Richard Hill, alias Spurwaie } *Tiverton, Clothiers*
Edward Kerſlake . . . }
Richard Warre, *Son and Heir of Roger Warre*
Henry Ayſhford, *Son and Heir of Ro. Ayſhford*
Humfrey Were } *Eſqrs.*
George Gifford, *Son and Heir of Ro. Gifford*
Henry Worth, *Son and Heir of Henry Worth*
William Spurway, *Son and Heir of Richard Hill, alias Spurway* } *of Oakford*
Robert Deyman, *Son and Heir of John Deyman*
Ellis Bennet . . . . } *of Tiverton, Merchants*
John Berry . . . . }
William Colman, *Son and Heir of Humphrey Colman*
Edward Amye, *the younger*
Robert Prowſe, *Son and Heir of Richard Prowſe.*
John Skynner, *Son and Heir of Nicholas Skinner*

FEOFFEES elected in 1633.

Richard Hill, alias Spurwaie
John Bennet, *Son and Heir of Ellis Bennet*
John Popham, *Son and Heir Apparent of Sir F. Popham*
John Bluett, *of Holcombe Rogus*
John Frauncis *of Chawithorne*
Arthur Ayſhford, *Son and Heir of Henry Ayſhford*
John Were, *Silferton* } *Eſqrs.*
Henry Worth, *Worth*
Roger Gifford, *Tiverton*
Roger Slee, *Coleridge*
Edward Amye
William Chilcot *Iſleworth Eſq.*
Francis Colman,
John Waldron *Tiverton* } *Gent.*
William Ham
John Berry

FEOFFEES elected in 1646.

John Worth, *Waſhfield, Gent.*
John Minifie, *Halberton Court, Gent.*
Thomas Fowler, *Tiverton, Merchant*
Sir John Bampfylde, *Poltimore, Bart.*

Alexander

Alexander Popham, *Wellington,*
Robert Clarke, *Norton,*
William Walrond, *Bradfield,*
Francis Drewe, *Keyton in Holcombe Rogus*
Thomas Bere, *Huntſham.*
George Walrond, *Tiverton,*
John Ayſhford, *Son of H. Ayſhford*
} *Eſqrs.*

Zachary Cudmore, *Loxbear, Gent.*
George Slee, *Son and Heir Apparent of Roger Slee*
Richard Hill, alias Spurway, *Son and Heir Apparent of Willam Hill, alias Spurway*
Roger Colman, *Son and Heir of Francis Colman*
Richard Crudge *Oakford, Gent.*
Peter Weſt, *Son of Peter Weſt, Gent.*
Humfry Cogan
John Ham
John Blundell
John Blagdon
Edward Amye
} *Tiverton, Gents.*

FEOFFEES elected in 1663.

Thomas Were, *Second Son of John Were the Elder*
John Blagdon *the Younger, Waſhfield, Gent.*
James Oſmond, *Halberton, Gent.*
Sir Coppleſton Bampfylde, *Poltimore, Bart.*
James Rodd, *Stoke Cannon*
Thomas Drewe, *Son and Heir Apparent of Fr. Drewe,*
Arthur Ayſhford, *Ayſhford*
Wm. Walrond, *Son and Heir Apparent of Wm. Walrond*
John Bluett *Holcombe Rogus*
} *Eſqrs.*

John Doble, *Calverleigh, alias Calwoodley*
John Worth, *Son and Heir of Henry Worth*
John Were *the Younger, Son and Heir Apparent of John Were the Elder*
Henry Spurway, *Oakford, Gent.*
Robert Burgoin, *Tiverton, Gent.*
John Deyman, *Tiverton, Gent.*
Daniel Cudmore, *Loxbear, Gent.*
Henry Crudge,
Thomas Leigh,
John Cogan,
} *Tiverton, Gents.*

FEOFFEES elected in 1679.

John Aiſhford, *Aiſhford*
William Colman, *Gornhay*
} *Eſqrs.*

William Deyman, Richard Blundell, } *Tiverton, Gents.*
Sir Hugh Acland, *Killerton, Bart.*
Thomas Bere, *Huntſham,* } *Eſqrs.*
Bampfyld Rodd, *Oakey,* } *Eſqrs.*
Samuel St. Hill, *Bradninch,* } *Eſqrs.*
Henry Walrond, *Bradfield,* } *Eſqrs.*
Philip Shapcott, *Knowſton,* } *Eſqrs.*
Peter Weſt, Junr. *Tiverton,* } *Eſqrs.*
John Bradford,
Wm. Hewett,
John Cruwys, *Cruwys Morchard, Eſq.*
William Spurway, *Oakford Gent.*
John Doble, *Calverleigh, Gent.*
William Ham, *Woodhays*

FEOFFEES elected in 1695.

John Acland, *Son of Sir Hugh Acland, Bart.*
John Worth, *Worth,* } *Eſqrs.*
Robert Cudmore, *Son of Daniel Cudmore,* } *Eſqrs.*
William Walrond, *Son of Henry Walrond,* } *Eſqrs.*
John Spurway, *Son of William Spurway, Oakford,* } *Eſqrs.*
John Ham, *Woodhays, Gent.*
Peter Atkins, *Tiverton, Gent.*
Thomas Shapcot, *Knowſton, Eſq.*
Sir Walter Yonge, *Eſcott, Bart.*
Arthur Culme, *Tiverton,* } *Gents.*
John Crudge *Son of Hen. Crudge, Uplowman,* } *Gents.*

FEOFFEES elected in 1698.

Francis Drewe, Junr.
John Sanford, *Ninehead in Somerſet, Eſq.*
John Deyman, *Tiverton, Gent.*

FEOFFEES elected in 1713.

Sir Coppleſtone Warwick Bampfylde, *Poltimore, Bart.*
John Weſt, *Tiverton,* } *Eſqrs.*
Thomas Bere, Jun. *Huntſham,* } *Eſqrs.*
William Colman, Jun. *Tiverton,* } *Eſqrs.*

Wm.

Wm. Sanford, Philip Blundell, Bampfield Rodd, John Hartnoll, *Ninehead, Collipriest, Stoke Cannon, Tiverton,* *Esqrs.*
Henry Blagdon, *Tiverton* *Gent.*

FEOFFEES elected in 1724.

Sir Hugh Acland, *Killerton,* *Bart.*
John Bampfylde, Thomas Carew, Samuel Cruwys, *Hestercombe, in Somerset, Crowcombe in Somerset, Cruwys Morchard,* *Esqrs.*
Henry Atkins, Charles Culme, *Tiverton,* *Gents.*

FEOFFEES elected in 1728.

Sir John Chichester, *Youlston,* *Bart.*
Hugh Stafford, *Pynes,* *Esq.*
John Quick, Edw. Dike, John Worth, *Newton St. Cyrus, Pixton in Somerset, Worth,* *Esqrs.*
John Spurway, *Barnstaple,* *M. D.*
Courtenay Walrond, *Bradfield,* *Esq.*

FEOFFEES elected in 1735.

Sir William Courtenay, Sir William Windham, *Powderham-Castle, Orchard-Windham in Somerset,* *Barts.*
Sir Henry Northcote, Sir John Davie *Pynes, Creedy,* *Barts.*
Francis Drewe, *Grange,* *Esq.*
John Ham, *Woodhays,* *Gent.*
Robert Bere, *Huntsham,* *Esq.*

FEOFFEES elected in 1740.

Sir William Courtenay, *Powderham Castle,* *Bart.*
Sir Thomas Carew, *Haccombe,* *Bart.*
James Buller, William Sanford, Thos. Popham, Benjamin Heath, *Downes, Ninehead, Bagborough in Somerset, Exeter,* *Esqrs.*
Rich. Shortridge, *Witheridge,* *Esq.*

Rich.

Rich. Denſham, *Tiverton, Gent.*
Edward Popham, *Littlecot, Wilts, Eſq. Heir Male to Sir Francis Popham, Knt. the Original Feoffee.*

FEOFFEES elected in 1744.

Sir R. Warwick Bampfylde, *Poltimore,*
Sir Thomas Dyke Acland, *Killerton,* } *Barts.*
Sir John Chicheſter, *Youlſton,*

FEOFFEES elected in 1748.

Sir Charles* Kemys Tynte, *Haſwell, Somerſet,* } *Barts.*
Sir Wm. Morris, *Werrington,*
Peter Blundell, *Colliprieſt,*
John Hippeſley Coxe, *Peamore,*
Francis Ewyn, *Ford Abbey,* } *Eſqrs*
Henry Fownes Luttrell, *Dunſter Caſtle,*
John Quick, *Newton St. Cyrus, Eſq.*

Gwyn

FEOFFEES elected in 1751.

Coppleſtone *Warre Bampfylde, *Heſtercombe,*
John Cholwich, Junr. *Henſleigh,*
George Taner, *Cliſt-St.-Mary,* } *Eſqrs.*
John Oliver Williams, *Exweek,*

FEOFFEES elected in 1757.

William Foulkes, *Eſq.*
Sir John Davie, *Creedy, Bart.*

FEOFFEES elected in 1762.

Thomas Putt, *Comb,*
John Tuckfield, *Fulford,* } *Eſqrs.*
John Walter, *Stevenſtone,*

FEOFFEES elected in 1765.

Francis Roſe Drew, *Son and Heir Apparent of Francis Drewe, of Grange,*
George Furſdon, *Furſdon,* } *Eſqrs.*
James Buller, *Downes,*
X Benjamin Incledon, *Pilton,*

* *Reſigned.*

FEOFFEES

X The Compiler

FEOFFEES elected in 1766.

James Bernard, *Crowcomb,* } *Eſqrs.*
Rich. Blundell, *Tiverton,* }

FEOFFEES elected in 1772.

John Dyke Acland, *Son and Heir Apparent of Sir T. D. Acland*
Charles Chicheſter, *Hall,* }
John Sanford, *Ninehead,* }
John Duntze,* *Rockbear,* } *Eſqrs.*
Peter Beavis, *Biſhop's Cliſt,* }

FEOFFEES elected in 1775.

Sir Charles Warwick Bampfylde, *Poltimore, Bart.*
John Rolle, *Aſh,* }
J. B. Cholwich, *Farringdon,* } *Eſqrs.*
Richard Inglet, *Dawliſh,* }

FEOFFEES elected in 1780.

John Fownes Luttrell, *Dunſter Caſtle, Eſq.*
Sir John Trevelyan, *Nettlecombe in Somerſet, Bart.*
John Shapleigh, *Newcourt,* } *Eſqrs.*
John Buller, *Kingſnympton,* }
Sir John Wm. Pole†, *Shute,* } *Barts.*
Sir Thomas Weſt Carew, *Haccombe,* }
Thomas Winſloe, *Colliprieſt, Eſq.*

FEOFFEES elected in 1785.

Sir John Chicheſter, *Youlſton,* }
Sir T. D. Acland, *Killerton,* } *Barts.*
Sir Bouchier Wrey, *Tawſtock,* }
John Inglett Forteſcue, *Buckland Filleigh,* } *Eſqrs.*
Robert Newton Incledon, *Pilton,* }
Sir Stafford Henry Northcote, *Pynes,* *Bart.*
Thomas Roſe Drewe, *Wotton Fitzpaine,* *Eſq.*

* Sir John Duntze, Bart. † Sir John W. de la Pole.

No. 2.

A LIST of MASTERS.

1604 Joſeph Hall,—*nominated by Lord Chief Juſtice Popham, and reſigned the ſame Day.*
—— Samuel Butler
1647 Henry Oſborne, reſd.
1651 Henry Batten, reſd.
1669 George Hume, reſd.
1684 John Sanders, M. A. Sid. Suſ. Col.
1698 William Rayner, M. A. Ch. Ch. Col.
1730 Samuel Smith, M. A.
1733 John Jones, M. A.
1734 Samuel Weſley, M. A. Ch. Ch. Col.
1740 William Daddo, M. A. Bal. Col. reſd.
1757 Philip Atherton, M.A. Bal. Col. reſd.
1775 Richard Keats, M.A. Mag. Col.

of my worthy Master

No. 3.

A LIST of USHERS.

1604 William Knyght
1610 Nathaniel Hellyngs
1633 —— Parſons
1634 Jonathan Roper
1637 Amory Butler
1647 John Wood
1648 Daniel Cudmore
1663 Thomas Warner
1665 Nathaniel Clare
1666 Robert Bonney
1684 William Dewband
1695 Matthew Maſcal, B. A.
1701 John Truſt, B. A.
1719 Edward Bradford, Bal. Col. reſd.
1729 William Somaſter, M. A. Bal. Col.
1737 Samuel Dally, M. A. Wad. Col.
1746 Ph. Atherton, *(ſee Maſters)*
1757 Henry Atkins, M. A. Syd. Suſ. Col.
176 Thomas Wood, M. A. Pet. Houſe. reſd.
1788 John Ley, Syd. Suſ. Col.

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† on account of old age the Feoffees gave him 100£ to resign

No. 4.

A LIST OF

TREASURERS *and* CLERKS.

John Blundell
Peter Blundell
William Slee
John Ham
John Blundell
John Cruwys
John Blagdon
Peter Blundell

Richard Parnycot
1610 John Parnycot
1636 —— Mawıy
1637 William King
1652 Arthur Chamberlyn
1655 John Bennet
1707 Thomas Carthew, *diſplaced*
1713 Richard Culme—*appointed Treaſurer in* 1734
1740 Simon Worth, *diſplaced*
1756 Thomas Cannington
1761 George Davey
1785 George Owens

No. 5.

A LIST of STUDENTS

At BALLIOL COLLEGE.

F. *denotes thoſe who ſucceeded to Fellowſhips.*

1602 John Berry, F. } *
Chriſtopher Weſt, F. }
1615 John Wood, F.—*the firſt Boy ſent from the Shcool.*
1617 Thomas White—*objected to as being ſuperanuated and turned out.—See A.D.*1781

1621 Robert Shibbow
Thomas Hartnol
1625 Edward Prowſe, F.
1638 Richard Spurway, F.—*ejected out of his Fellowſhip by the Commiſſioners of Parliament* 164[illegible]

Richard

* *Theſe two were appointed by Ld. C. J. Popham.*

Richard Bennet, F.—*ejected out of his Fellowſhip by the Commiſſioners of Parliament in* 1648.
Roger Tozer
1650 Hugh Standon, F.
Richard Kyrton, F.
1665 George Burton, F.
1667 John Clark
1671 John Abell
1673 John Haycroft, F.
1671 John Newte, F.—*the firſt F. on* 2 *Compoſition Deed*
1671 William Abell.—*the firſt S. on* 2 *Compoſition Deed*
1679 William Chilcot, F.
1680 Adam Lugg, F. 2.
1685 John Payne, F.
1687 Walter Elford, F. 2.
1691 Alexander Arſcot
1691 Roger Chamberlyn
Abraham Payne, F.
1697 John Bradford, F. 2.
1700 Roger Blake
Henry Fiſher
1705 Bartholomew Richards
1713 John Jones, F.—*ſee Maſters.*
John Spurway, F.
1718 William Somaſters,——*See Uſhers.*
1720 Humfry Quick, F. 2.
1724 John Land, F.
1727 Robert Dagge, F.
1728 John Walker, F. 2.
1729 George Sanford, F.
1732 William Skerrat
1735 Arthur Culme, F.
1736 Thomas Whaddon
1739 John Foot, F.
1744 Bartholomew Davey
Henry Bennet, F. 2.
1749 John Davey, F. 2.—*Maſter of Bal. Col.*
1751 Theophilus Blackhall, F.
1753 Thomas Kitſon
1757 Samuel Cooke, F. 2.
1760 John Cole
1762 James Pierce
1765 James Brudenel Barber, F.
1768 Henry Hutton, F.
1769 John Barnes, F.
1773 Thomas Tanner, F. 2
1774 John Clapp, F.
1781 Henry Land—*this is the ſecond Scholar refuſed Admittance on Account of Superanuation, upon the following Grounds.*

" Statuimus ut Magiſter et
" unuſqueſque ſociorum ſingulos
" habeant Scholaſticos ſivi Ser-
" vitores in ſua receptione dece-
" muin octavum ætatis non exce-
" dentes annum.
Stat. de Schol. Bal.

" 1617, Martii 23. Admiſſus
" eſt Thomas White Scholaris in
" locum Magri Blundell, eatu-
" men lege ut ſi in admiſſione de-
" cemuin octavum cetatis annum
" excederet, pro non Scholari ha-
" beretur.

" 1621, Nov. 29. Cum inno
" erit Magiſtro et Sociis Collegii
" in Balliolo ex teſtimonio Reve-
" rendi in Chriſto patris Epiſcopi
" Exonienſis Thomam White,
" contra legem admiſſionis Anno
" Dom. 1617, et clauſulum Sta-
" tuti cum in admiſſione concer-
" nantis decemuin octavum ætatis
" annum exceſſiſſe ex conſenſu
" Magiſtri et omnium Soccorum
" habitus eſt pro non Scholari in
" cujuis locum eodem anno et die
" electus et admiſſus eſt Robertus
" Skibbow."
Lib. Sch. Bal.

1782 Thomas Sweet, F. 2.—*on the Refuſal of Land.*
1785 Philip Blundell
1786 Richard Hoblyn

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No. 6.

A LIST of STUDENTS

At SIDNEY SUSSEX COLLEGE.

1602 William Durant
1602 John Pokington, F.
1603 Thomas Pell
1603 Richard Perrot, F.
1603 Lewis Land
Theſe were appointed by Ld. C. J. Popham.
1610 John Hayne, F.—*the firſt Boy ſent from the School.*
1613 Thomas Wood, F.
1613 John Land, F.
1616 George Palfry
1621 John Berry
1624 John Butler, F.
1625 Joſeph Hayne, F.
1630 George Tremlet
1636 James Kingwell
1637 William Spurway
1640 George Thorne, F.
1641 George Tucker
1645 Robert Chilcot, F.
1645 Malachi Thruſton, F.
1645 John Manning
1647 Michael Taylor
1651 John Brook, F.
1653 Walter Brace
1653 John Hatheridge
1656 Richard Sqibb
1659 Thomas Warner—*ſee Uſhers*
1659 John Savage, F.
1664 William Butler
1664 William Croſſe, F.
1667 William Sellick
1670 John Sanders, F.
1670 Abraham Channon
1674 John Abell, F.
1677 Roger Eveleigh
1680 Samuel Burton
1685 Henry Paſmore, F.
1685 Robert Manley
1687 Triſtram Chave, F.
1691 William Deyman, F.
1695 Thomas Webber, F.
1698 Wm. Dewband,—*ſee Uſhers*
1700 William Moggeridge, F.
1700 John Voyſey
1701 William Ham
1703 William Webber, F.
Peter Stucley
1705 Nathaniel Collens
1708 Richard Venn
1709 Chr. Ewings
1713 Francis Forte, F.
1717 William Upcot
1717 John Gay
1720 Thomas Hewet
1722 John Leach
1726 Thomas Greenway
1731 Bampfylde Worth
1732 Thomas Bland, F.
1734 William Staplin, F.
1734 John Wood, F.
1735 George Foſſe
1742 Edward Rudd
1744 John Noſworthy
1749 George Moore—*Archdeacon of Cornwall.*

1751 { Samuel Harneſs, F. / John Teeſdale Spry
1754 Henry Atkins—*See Uſhers*
1756 John Gandy
1758 Joſeph Bennet
1761 John Veryard Bruton
1762 Nathaniel Hyne, F.
1764 John Marſh
1766 William Jenkins, F.
1768 Charles Buckland
1769 William Briant
1777 { Wm. Hen. Carrington / John Rendle
1778 John Ruſſell, F.
1779 { Richard Bere, F. / John Ley—*ſee Uſhers*
1781 Thomas Sweet—*reſigned on the ſame day.*
1782 Henry Marker
1788 Peter Commyns Tucker
1791 Hugh Northcote

No. 7.

A LIST of STUDENTS

At College, and of Boys at School,

Who have had temporary Exhibitions,* or occaſional Gratuities.

1616 John Wood
1653 Hugh Staddon
1659 John Cook
1667 John Colman
David Thorne
1682 James Finnemore
1684 Richard Short
1691 Alex. Arſcot
1695 John Beſley
Thomas Deveniſh
1697 John Williams
1703 Richard Thorne
Edward Rudd
1707 John Chapman
1713 Walter Elford
1720 Thomas Hayter—*Biſhop of London.*
John Whitlocke
1722 Oliver Rouſe
Richard Haydon
1734 Joſias Foot
John Greenway
1735 Simon Richards
1742 William Martyn
1744 Samuel Payne
1766 Wm. Jenkins
1775 John Blundell
1781 Philip Blundell

Daniel

* Theſe Exhibitions have been dropt ſome Years.

No. 8.

A LIST of EXHIBITIONERS

On HAM's DONATION.

1740 William Bere, Robert Wilcocks
1744 Charles Vyvyan, Henry Land
1748 Peter Tucker, Thomas Hewgoe
1753 John Mills, Benjamin Good
1757 John Grills, John Lee
1760 John Worth, Richard Sleeman
1765 John Eveleigh—*Provoſt of Oriel Col.*
1766 Thomas Miles
1772 Jeremiah Trit, Charles Sweet
1777 Joſhua Hole, Thomas Cummins
1781 John Blundell
1784 William Gorton, John Burnard
1788 Joſeph Chilcot
1792 *One vacant*

No. 9.

A LIST of EXHIBITIONERS

On NEWTE's DONATION.

John Davey, *Maſter of Bal. Col.*
Triſtram Whitter
John Pitman
Thomas Tanner
Henry Land
William Tucker

No. 10.

A SURVEY of the MANOR of WEST PRAWL.

TENANTS.	TENEMENTS.	No. of Lives	Ages.	Yearly Rent.	Yearly Value
Thomas Corniſh,	Barton of Prawl and Little Walland	2	49 41	£.40 6 8	£.151 12 0
Caleb Edwards	Higher Houſe, alias Seacombe	2	32 28	13 6 8	80 0 0
Walter Littlejohn,	Goodſheller Tenement	2	59 25	0 6 8	5 0 0
Joſeph Criſpin,	Great Walland Tenement	1	50	1 0 0	33 0 0
Thomas Corniſh,	Heathfield and Spinſtow Overland	3	43 49 41	5 0 0	1 0 0
Richard Heath,	Hex's Tenement	3	55 35 29	0 13 4	8 10 0
William Kelland,	Kellond's Cot, Orchard and Little Field	3	55 35 29	0 6 8	3 0 0
James Torring,	Tozer's Cot, Orchard and Garden	3	45 45 15	0 5 11	4 10 0
John Payne,	Dwelling-houſe and Garden in Kingſbridge . . .	3	57 59 25	1 10 0	6 6 0
Nicholas Cove, & George Cary,	One-third of Colridge Farm and Chilotow Meadow	1	59	6 0 0	40 7 0
Thomas Corniſh,	Moor Tenement for 21 years from Michaelmas 1791	——	——	63 0 0	83 0 0
John Powel,	Sigdon Tenement for 1 year from Lady-day 1787	——	——	17 10 0	29 0 0
John Shepherd,	Sheath Tenement, at Will	——	——	9 0 0	11 0 0
Andrew Steer,	Londs, alias Inſteart, 14 Years from Lady-day 1787	——	——	10 5 0	10 10 0
Samuel Pearſe,	Branches at Ford . . ditto	——	——	17 10 0	21 0 0

☞ Small Chief Rents paid and received to and from this Manor. £184 1 1
There is Court Leet held. Deduct Land-Tax out of ſome Rents 5 0 0

Clear Rent about 179 1 1

No. 11.

A SURVEY of LANDS in TIVERTON.

TENANTS.	TENEMENTS.	No. of Lives	Ages.	Yearly Rent.	Yearly Value
Thos. Winsloe, Esq.	Bowbier Tenement, or Dairy House, &c. for 99 Years absolute from 25 December 1768	—	—	£. 5 0 0	£. 6 0 0
Rich. Blundell, Esq.	Boysham, ditto from 25 December, 1768	—	—	4 0 0	10 0 0
William Smale	Vanstone's Houses	3	16 15 18	0 6 8	6 0 0
Widow Anstey	Annuity out of Fordland	—	—	12 0 0	12 12 0
Henry Dunsford	House and Bowling-Green	3	70 31 24	2 0 0	21 0 0
Priscilla Pearce	Howel's Court in St. Andrew's-street	3	45 55 55	0 10 0	5 5 0
Roger Tucker	Three Houses in St. Andrew's-street	3	58 27 23	0 12 0	5 5 0
Mary Pearse	Late How's house and field . . .		55 24 19	4 0 0	15 15 0
				Clear about – 28 8 8	

No. 12.

MONEY in the STOCKS.

£.2370 Capital Old South Sea Annuities

Dividends per Ann. - - -	£.71	2	0
Deduct Commiſſion - - - -	1	3	8
Clear	69	18	4

No. 13.

ANNUAL EXPENDITURE.

Salary to Maſter, Uſher, Clerk and Porter	86	10	0
Augmentation Money to Students at College	26	0	0
Ham's Exhibition - - - - - - - - -	23	0	0
Five Boy's at Huſbandry - - - - - -	20	0	0

SUNDRIES, (to wit.)

Repairs of School Court at Prawl every two Year Aſſiſtant when wanted Other incidental Expences	abt. 84	10	0
about £.240	0	0	

No. 14.

An Abridgement of POPHAM's NOMINATION DEED of the firſt Sixe Scholars.

TO all Chriſtian People to whom theſe preſent Writings quadripartite ſhall come Sir John Popham Knight Lord Chief Juſtice of the Pleas before our Soveraign Lady the Queen to be holden and of her Majeſty's Privy Council Greeting.

Know ye that whereas Peter Blundell late of Tiverton in the County of Devon deceaſed, ordained that Sixe Scholars to be Students in Divinity

Divinity in Oxford or Cambridge or either of them ſhall be founded as to me ſhould ſeem meet

Know ye that I the ſaid Sir John Popham do hereby eſtabliſh two of the ſaid Students or Scholars in BALIOL Col. in the Univerſity of Oxford and to have Continuance there forever—the one of which ſhall be John Berry of Tiverton and now of Corpus Chriſti College who ſhall continue the Study of Divinity, remain unmarried, and be of that Houſe, and of good Converſation, and not otherwiſe any Ways advanced, nor exceed tenn Years of his being Maſter of Arts, during which time and no longer he ſhall receive yearly 15l. for his Maintenance, paiable half-yearly, and be deemed every way a Fellow of that Houſe.—And the other ſhall be Chriſtopher Weſt, who ſhall have 8l. yearly as long as he ſhall diſpoſe himſelf to the Study of Divinity, and continue in that Houſe unmarried, to be of good Converſation, and not otherwiſe advanced nor exceed ten Years there after he ſhall be Maſter of Arts, and the former Place falling void, he the ſame Chriſtopher Weſt to ſucceed him, leaving his former Penſion of 8l. yearly, and thenceforth to take the ſaid Penſion of 15l. by the Year, in ſuch Means, and under ſuch Limitations and Conditions as the ſaid John Berry is to enjoy the ſame.

The other Two ſhall be founded in EMMANUEL Col. in the Univerſity of Cambridge, to have Continuance there for ever—the one of which ſhall be for the preſent James Walbank of the ſame College, ſo that he continue to ſtudy Divinity &c. *(as Berry's Limitation and Stipend.)*—And the other ſhall be for the preſent George Walter *(as Weſt's Limitation and Stipend.)*

The other and two laſt ſhall be founded in SYDNEY SUS. Col. in the Univerſity of Cambridge, to have Continuance there forever. —the one of which ſhall be William Durant of the ſame College, M. A. ſo that he continue to ſtudy Divinity, &c. *(as Berry and Walbank's Limitations and Stipend.)*—And the other ſhall be John Pockington of the ſaid College, B. A. *(as Weſt's and Walter's Limitation and Stipends)*

And that forever after the becoming void of their Places in the ſaid Univerſities, others ſhall be choſen out of the School to be erected—be admitted as the Scholars founded by Peter Blundell—and be ſubject to the Orders of the ſeveral Colleges.

And as they cannot be admitted into College without the Conſent of the Governours, &c—that they may have Lodging there—and that there may be better Care of the good Education and Government of the Scholars, I do ordain that each of the Maſters ſhall have yearly 40s. and towards Repairations of Houſes, and providing Neceſſaries 20s. to be paid yearly &c. out of Lands of the clear yearly Value of 100l. &c. and the Overplus ſhall be reſerved to ſupply ſuch Charges and other Occaſions, which may accidentally fall touching the Premiſes.

In Witneſs whereof I the ſaid Sir John Popham to each Part of theſe Preſents have ſet my Seal and ſubſcribed my Name the 14th Day of March in the 44th Year of the Reign of our moſt gracious Sovereigne Lady Elizabeth by the Grace of God of England France and Ireland Queen Defender of the Faith.

No. 15.

EXTRACTS

FROM THE

COMPOSITION DEEDS.

"THAT the Scholars ſhall be called Fellows and Scholars of Peter Blundell's Foundation, and in Sermons make Mention of Peter Blundell as their Founder—and that their Places ſhall be ſupplied, and Scholars taken out of the ſaid Free Grammar School, —and that they ſhall be of the Body of the College, and have like Place with the Fellows and Scholars of former Foundation, and enjoy all its Profits, &c.

Bal. Col. That when the Place of Fellow, by Death, &c. ſhall become Vacant, the Scholar ſhall ſucceed at next Election to the Year of Probation, ſo that Scholar be then B. A. or of the Age of full Twenty Years, otherwiſe to continue till he is ſo, and then to be choſen at next Election.

That the ſaid Scholars, &c. ſhall be allowed to be in the inferior, or Subſizor's Commons if they pleaſe in the ſaid Col.

That when any Place of the ſaid Fellow for the Time being become void, one of the ſaid Scholars in Seniority, ſhall within One Month be elected Fellow, ſo that the Senior Scholar, be of Six Years ſtanding &c. B. A. otherwiſe to continue till he be ſo—yet one other Scholar, to be ſent for by Col. &c. and when Senior Scholar ſhall be Six Years ſtanding, &c. B. A. ſhall be admitted Fellow, after Senior Fellow be B. A. ſhall have allowance as Fellow, and after M. A. ſhall have other profits, &c. Syd. Suſ. Col.

That the Maſter, &c. ſhall within two Months after a Voidance of Places, &c. give Notice in Writing thereof to ſome of the Feoffees, &c. that they may make Choice of another Scholar to be ſent, &c.—And that the Allowance, &c. of Commons, &c. ſhall for two Months following the Vacancy, redound to College &c. and remain for Scholars that ſhall be ſent from School.—And if upon Notice given to Feoffees, *they ſhall not within two Months ſend a Scholar*, then the College may retain Allowance until Scholar be ſent.—But if Scholar be not ſent for want of Notice, ſuch Scholar next ſent ſhall receive Allowance, &c. from the Vacancy, &c.

Bal. Col.	Syd. S. Col.
And the Maſter. &c. ſhall not without ſome apparent Defect or Crime, refuſe any Scholar ſo to be ſent, to be admitted.	And the Maſter. &c. immediately upon coming of ſaid Scholar, ſhall admit him into the Vacant Place.

But if Perſon ſent ſhall be inſufficient, and not prove towardly in learning, after three years Probation, he may be removed, &c.—Notice to be given to the End another may be ſent to ſupply the void Place, &c.

Bal. Col. That if Fellowſhip and Scholarſhip be together void, and if two at one Time or near together, ſhall be ſent from School to College, and both ſhall be under Graduates, neither ſhall be Probationer till he be B. A. or 20 Years of Age, but both ſhall continue Scholars only, with only Scholar's Allowance.—Which ſhall be firſt B. A. or 20 Years of Age, ſhall be choſen to Year of Probation, and after that be Fellow.—The other to receive Allowance, &c. of Scholar till M. A. &c. and no longer, becauſe from thenceforth, by the Stat. of Col. he is incapable of being choſen Fellow.—Another to be ſent from the School.

Bal. Col. Nevertheleſs if Scholar of Peter Blundell's Foundation ſhall be B. A. of one Year's ſtanding, from the Time of determining any Fellowſhip of former Foundation, be void, he ſhall be choſen Fellow, &c. and enjoy Profits, until the Fellowſhip of Peter Blundell be void, and from thenceforth to ſucceed him and in the mean Time the Scholar's Place to remain vacant, another to be ſent from the School.

And after they ſhall attain the Degree of M. A. within the ſame Univerſity, or have Time to attain the ſame by Stat. of Col. ſhall ſtudy Divinity, and as ſoon as by the Law they may, ſhall enter into the Miniſtry, and become Preachers of the Word of God.—And the Fellows and Scholars ſhall be reſident in College, unleſs licenſed thereto by the Maſter, &c. as other Fellows and Scholars of former Foundation, &c.

Bal. Col. And that they ſhall not enjoy their Places reſpectively after they have accepted a Benefice with Cure of Souls—or Charge of a School whatſoever.

And ſhall not hold or keep any Fellowſhip or Scholarſhip for any longer Term than for 10 Years next after they have commenced, or have Time to commence M. A.

Bal. Col. — But that after ſaid 10 Years—or after they ſhall accept a Benefice with Cure of Souls—or a School, the ſaid Fellowſhip and Scholarſhip reſpectively ſhall be abſolutely void and another to be choſen therein in ſuch manner and form as is before preſcribed.

Nor after they ſhall be married—nor after that they ſhall accept a Benefice with Cure of Souls—or a School. — S. S. C.

Bal. Col. — And that the ſaid Fellowſhip and Scholarſhip, ſhall each of them have annexed to them above the Ordinary allowance of the Col. an Exhibition of 5l. a Year from ſaid Col.

And that the ſaid Fellowſhip ſhall have annexed to them above the ordinary allowance, an Exhibition of 5l. 16s. 0d. each, from ſaid Col.—And the ſaid Scholarſhip, 6l. 8s. from ſaid Col. — Syd. Suſ. Col.

If by future Gift Fellowſhip or Scholarſhip be increaſed, ſo much of the Exhibition ſhall be deducted as ſhall be increaſed—And that the Fellow be a Tutor to the Scholar, and without Reward read to him until Scholar be a Graduate.

Bal. Col. 2 Deed. — And that in caſe William Abell, and all and every other Scholar ſent from School, be poor and unable by himſelf and Friends to maintain himſelf in Col. in Quality of a Scholar, that then upon Certificate by the Feoffees, *he ſhall be admitted a Servitor*, and yet to have full profits of Scholarſhip, as if he were admitted a Scholar.

And one of Peter Blundell's Feoffees appointed by the Maſter (if either be willing) or in default ſome other Fellow ſhall yearly read a Greek or Hebrew Lecture every week in turn, and ſhall have 5l. &c.

And a Commoration Sermon ſhall be preached in the Chapel, on St. Peter's Day, and to have 10s.

And that yearly 40s. a Year be expended in a Dinner, through the Hall. — Syd. Suſ. Col.

And that the Fellows and Scholars of Mr Peter Blundell's foundation ſhall be ſubject and ſworn to the Statutes of the College.

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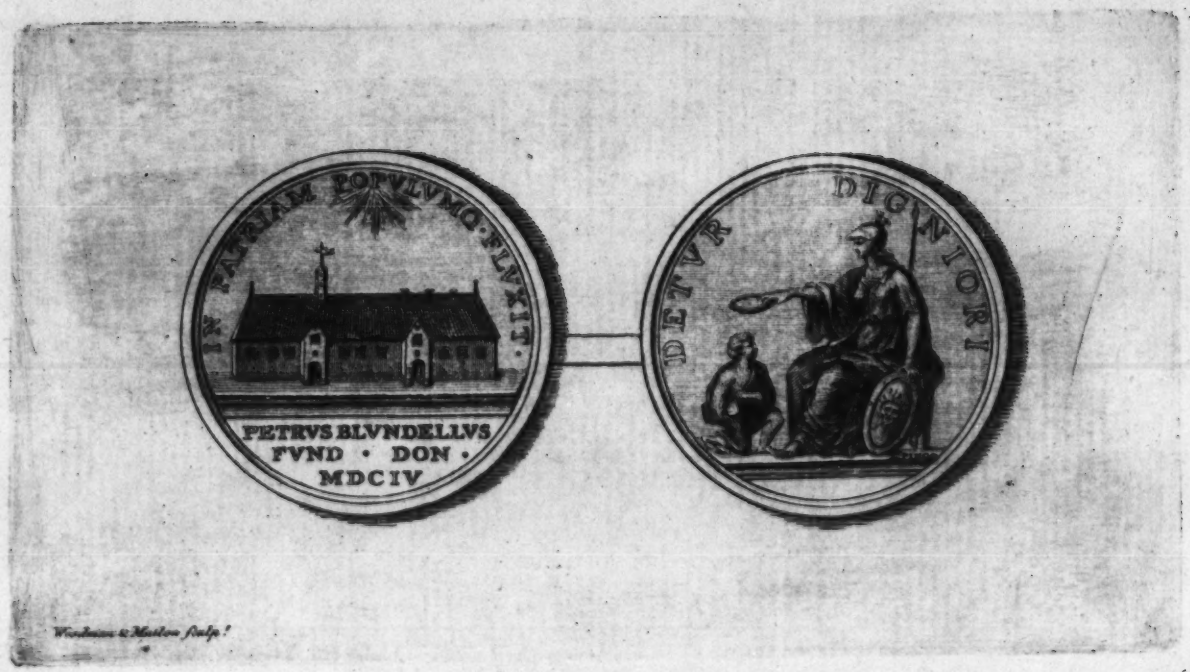
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The PRIZE MEDAL,

Inſtituted at BLUNDELL's SCHOOL, 1777.

AN Emulation among Youth in School Exerciſes, is ever pleaſing and praiſe-worthy; therefore whatever tends to promote it, will moſt certainly meet with Approbation.

A Propoſal being made by the Maſter of the School, at the Meeting of the Feoffees in the Year 1776, for giving an honorary Medal to Boys educated at the School, who ſhould diſtinguiſh themſelves by Literary Abilities, it met with a moſt cheerful Reception.

In the Year following, (1777) the Propoſal was renewed, and a liberal Subſcription was entered into by the Feoffees preſent, which was ſufficient for procuring a Die, and ſome Medals in Silver and Copper.

Although the Scheme was as it were in its infancy, the Boys were induced to bring forwards their Exerciſes at the time of Subſcription upon a promiſe of two Silver Medals.—The Inſtitution was then opened by an Oration in Latin, on the Founder of the School.

As ſoon as the Medals could be procured, which was ſometime in the Year 1778, the Boy who had diſtinguiſhed himſelf by the Oration, and another Boy who had diſtinguiſhed himſelf by ſpeaking, were each preſented with a Silver Medal.

To the politeneſs of Mr. Bampfylde, one of the Feoffees, the Inſtitution is indebted for the Deſign of the Medal, which Mr. Pingo has executed with his uſual ingenuity.

The expence of the Die was 47l. 5s.—a Silver Medal comes to about 7s. 8d. and a Copper one to about 4s.

The Subſcription has been increaſed by the Feoffees who have been elected ſince the year 1777. It is not improbable that there will be a ſufficient Fund for ſupporting the Inſtitution, if, in future, the new elected Feoffees unite in a Subſcription.

An Application was made by the late Marquis of Rockingham for a Medal, and by two or three other Gentlemen at the ſame time to be ſtruck off at their own expence. The Marquis's requeſt I remember was complied with, as well as that of the other Gentlemen. —All other Applications have been refuſed.

None but the Marquis and other Gentlemen, and the Feoffees who have Medals in Silver and Copper—as alſo the Boys who gained the Prizes—and the Maſter, who was preſented with a Silver Medal as a token of our favour for propoſing the Inſtitution—are in poſſeſſion of either Sort of the Medals.

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SUBSCRIBERS in 1777.

	£.	s.	d.		£.	s.	d.
JOHN Walter	10	10	0	John Burridge Cholwich	2	2	0
Sir T. Dyke Acland	3	3	0	John Sanford	2	2	0
Sir John Chicheſter	3	3	0	Benjamin Incledon	2	2	0
Sir John Davie	3	3	0	John Dyke Acland	2	2	0
Sir John Duntze	3	3	0	Cop. Warre Bampfylde	2	2	0
Henry Fownes Luttrell	2	2	0	Peter Blundell	1	1	0
Francis Roſe Drewe	2	2	0	Richard Blundell	1	1	0
James Bernard	2	2	0	Charles Chicheſter	1	1	0
Thomas Putt	2	2	0	Peter Beavis	1	1	0
John Rolle	2	2	0	Richard Inglet Forteſcue	1	1	0

SUBSEQUENT SUBSCRIBERS.

Sir C. W. Bampfylde	2	2	0	Sir Staff. H. Northcote	2	2	0
John Fownes Luttrel	2	2	0	Sir John Chicheſter	2	2	0
Sir John Trevelyan	2	2	0	Sir T. Dyke Acland	2	2	0
John Shapleigh	2	2	0	Sir Bourchier Wrey	2	2	0
John Buller	2	2	0	John Inglet Forteſcue	2	2	0
Sir John William Pole	2	2	0	Robert Newton Incledon	2	2	0
Sir Thomas Weſt Carew	2	2	0	Thomas Roſe Drewe	2	2	0
Thomas Winſloe	2	2	0				

BOYS

RECEIVING MEDALS.		EXERCISE.
29 June		
1777	John Matthew . . .	*Oration on the Founder.*
	Bourchier Wm. Wrey .	*Speaking.*
1780	A. Elijah Impey . . .	*Speaking.*
	Thomas Sweet : . .	*Proſe Compoſition.*
1781	A. Elijah Impey . . .	*Verſe Compoſition.*
	A. Elijah Impey . . .	*Speaking.*
1782	A. Elijah Impey . . .	*Proſe Compoſition.*
	Henry Marker . . .	*Speaking.*
1784	William Gorton . . .	*Verſe Compoſition.*
	John Burnard	*Speaking.*
1785	Charles Matthew . .	*Proſe Compoſition.*
	William Hunt . . .	*Speaking.*

1786	William Matthew . .	*Verſe Compoſition.*
	William Hunt	
1788	William Tucker . . .	*Proſe Compoſition.*
	Robert Hamilton . . .	*Speaking.*
1789	Thomas Pearſe . . .	*Verſe Compoſition.*
	David Peloquin Coſſerat	*Speaking.*
1789	Thomas Pearſe . . .	*Proſe Compoſition.*
		Speaking.
1791	Francis Turner Bailey	*Proſe Compoſition.*
	George Scobell . . .	*Speaking*

A Liſt of the PORTERS at the School Gates

1699 Edward Garman
1722 Daniel Vanſton
1750 William Pottingham
1786 Hezekiah Warren.

The Porter has a Salary of 50s. a Year—a Gown when wanted.

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